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'Unity, love are in Indian blood'

BALLARI
Unity, love, and harmony are defining characters of the people of India and cannot be eliminated even if right-wing groups make attempts over the next 50 years to remove them, said Congress leader and MP Rahul Gandhi. He was addressing a massive public rally in Ballari.

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Highway flooded after lake breach

MYSURU/ BENGALURU
Parts of the Bengaluru–Mysuru highway were flooded again and commuters were left stranded on Saturday after a lake near Mandya breached its bund and overflowed following heavy rain on Friday night.

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'Camp of death' is now a lifesaver

It is all peace and quiet at Sajik Tampak in Manipur's Chandel district bordering Myanmar, once a hotbed of insurgents

Rahul Karmakar
SAJIK TAMPAK (MANIPUR)

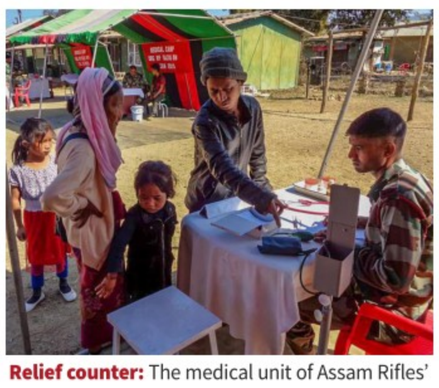
Ginminlun Zou, headman of Sajik Tampak, sums up the change since 2004 in his village near the Myanmar border in six words – "from noisy shots to silent shots".

Sajik Tampak in Manipur's Chandel district, is about 90 km south of the State capital Imphal.

Anyone familiar with Manipur's history of extremism would know "noisy shots" allude to the bursts of bullets from automatic weapons that extremists brandished freely once. "Silent shots" mean the jabs with syringes.

Captain Manvendra Singh Balot is new at the medical unit of the Assam Rifles' Sajik Tampak battalion. Like his predecessors, he is getting used to being told by locals how his team administers life-saving pills and injections from the very spot where the extremists issued death sentences or executed those who defied them.

The medical unit, on the way to the battalion headquarters which straddle a hillock, is a row of green-painted tin sheds on the periphery of a football field.



Relief counter: The medical unit of Assam Rifles' Sajik Tampak Battalion. SPECIAL ARRANGEMENT

The unit is about 300 metres from the grimmest reminder of a gory past for the villagers – a stone memorial listing the names of 24 Kuki-Zou tribal men killed by the National Socialist Council of Nagalim in January 1994.

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SC suspends Bombay High Court order discharging Saibaba

Krishnadas Rajagopal
NEW DELHI

The Supreme Court, in a special hearing on Saturday, suspended a Bombay High Court decision to discharge G.N. Saibaba, a 55-year-old wheelchair-bound academic, in a case under the Unlawful Activities (Prevention) Act for alleged Maoist links.

A Bench of Justices M.R. Shah and Bela Trivedi remarked that generally "as far as terrorist activities are concerned, the brain plays a very important role... A brain for such activities is very dangerous". The oral comment was triggered when Mr. Saibaba's lawyer, senior advocate R. Basant, referred to the State's allegation that his client was the "brain" behind the alleged Maoist activities and his fellow accused were mere "foot soldiers".

Mr. Basant said Mr. Saibaba was 90% physically disabled. A request to transfer him to house arrest on health grounds failed for now.

G.N. Saibaba, a former DU professor, is now in Nagpur jail.

"These requests [for house arrest] come very frequently from naxals, especially urban naxals... In UAPA offences, accused have to be kept confined. You don't need to go somewhere to stab or shoot someone. House arrest is never an option," Solicitor General Tushar Mehta, for Maharashtra, intervened.

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Nine killed in pile-up in Hassan

The Hindu Bureau
HASSAN

As many as nine persons, including four children, died and 10 were injured in a pile-up near Cheluvanahalli in Arsikere taluk on Saturday around 11 p.m.

A milk tanker, a KSRTC bus, and a Tempo Traveller (TT) were involved in the accident. It is said that the bus, heading towards Shivamogga, hit the TT. The driver of the TT lost control and the passenger vehicle hit a milk tanker coming from the opposite direction. As a result, the TT was crushed between two vehicles. All the nine, who died, were travelling by TT.

The incident occurred on the highway which had been taken up for four-lane widening. The work has been going on. The confusion over diversion on the stretch is expected to be one of the reasons for the accident.

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You've got mail

The iconic red postboxes have borne witness to tales of love and loss, smiles and tears, but, in an age of instant communication, are not as sought after as they once were

K. Bhagya Prakash
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Receiving a handwritten letter or even a much-loved monthly magazine by post still brings a warm feeling at a time when WhatsApp chats and emails are the norm.

India Post celebrates the National Postal Week every October starting with World Post Day, which is celebrated on October 9, the anniversary of the establishment of the Universal Postal Union (UPU) in 1874 in Berne, Switzerland.

While it was during the British rule in India that systems were put in place to make postal services methodical and reliable, it developed leaps and bounds post-Independence. In fact, the government-run postal system and telephones ruled the entire gamut of communication in the country, until private players came post-liberalisation. The boom in the information technology sector has given people more options, and today, almost everybody in the country has a mobile phone that performs multiple tasks, including many that were earlier done by the Postal Department.

Bengaluru, the information technology hub of India, has several postboxes that stand testimony to what they meant to the people but they are no longer sought after as they were even two decades ago. They continue to stand as reminders of a time when life in the city, which was also once known as a pensioner's paradise, was slower, with an intentional lifestyle, but which has given way to the survival of the fastest.

However, India Post continues to play a key role in transporting letters and parcels and in offering financial empowerment through savings schemes till today.

Bill board: A postbox on a pavement in Bengaluru is in danger of being buried under a pile of sand.

All sizes and shapes: Various models of postboxes on display at a museum.

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INBRIEF

Valedictory event of 52nd music conference today

The valedictory programme of the 52nd music conference 'Vidwath Sadas', organised by Bangalore Gayana Samaja, will be held on Sunday. During the event, Yadugiri Yathiraja Narayana Ramanuja Jeeyar, Sri Yadugiri Yathiraja Mutt, Melkote, will confer the title 'Sangeetha Kalarathna' and present V.T. Srinivasan memorial award to Vidwan D. Balakrishna. Kannada Sahitya Parishat present Mahesh Josi will confer the title 'Karnataka Kalacharya' on M. Vasudeva Rao. The programme will be held from 10.30 a.m.

There will be vocal duet by Malladi Brothers from 6 p.m. The programmes will be held on the Gayana Samaja premises, K.R. Road.

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Nine killed in pile-up in Hassan district

Hassan Superintendent of Police Hariram Shankar, who was on his way to the spot after receiving information about the accident, told *The Hindu* that nine persons, including four children, died in the accident. "As many as 10 persons, including passengers in the KSRTC bus, suffered injuries. Among them, two are critical. They have been shifted to Hassan for treatment," he added.

The occurred in Banavara police station limits.

Child rights panel work affected without full-time chairperson, members

Commission has been without a head since December 2021 and all six members retired in July 2022; file on appointments awaiting CM's assent for the past four months, say sources

Jayanth R.
BENGALURU

The delay in appointing the chairperson and members to the Karnataka State Commission for Protection of Child Rights (KSCPCR) has almost paralysed the key rights body in the State.

While the commission is without a full-time chairperson since December 2021, all six members retired in July 2022. With no members, and hence no quorum, the quasi-judicial authority, now led by an acting chairperson, Jayashree, is unable to pass any orders.

Backlog of cases

This has led to a large backlog of cases at the commission. According to KSCPCR data, 532 cases related to various child rights violations are pending.

Among these, the highest number of cases pertains to the Right To Education (RTE) Act and transfer certificate (TC) and other issues concerning education.

While the commission continues to receive complaints from the public on child rights violations, it is holding no further inquiry. Instead, the commission is referring key cases pertaining to harassment, missing children, child marriage, and child labour to the Child Welfare Committees and cases pertaining to the RTE Act and TCs to the District Education Regulating Authority (DERA) at the district level for further action.

Status of cases with KSCPCR

Case type	Complaints registered	Cases closed	Pending
RTE	173	25	148
Corporal punishment	08	00	08
Harassment	09	01	08
TC-related cases, others	295	80	215
Custody cases	24	08	16
Death cases	21	01	20
POCSO	26	03	23
Missing children	83	10	73
Child marriage	21	03	18
Electrocution/others	02	00	02
Child labour	06	05	01
Total	**668**	**136**	**532**

Case against seer

The commission registered a *suo motu* case against Shivamurthy Murugha Sharanaru, seer of Murugha Mutt in Chitradurga over the allegation of sexual abuse and in a case where a tution teacher killed a 10-year-old girl at Malavalli in Mandya. However, the commission has not conducted an inquiry and no further orders have been passed in these crucial cases.

Sources said the State government has completed the process of selecting six members and the chairperson and the file is pending for Chief Minister Basavaraj Bommai's assent for the past four months. The State government called for applications for the post of the chairperson on February 1, 2022, and for members on July 11, 2022.

Many activists have also questioned the propriety of Jayashree, whose tenure as a member of the commission ended in July 2022, being continued in the post of in-charge chairperson.

"There are several complaints pertaining to the RTE Act pending with the commission. For the past six months, the State government has ignored our repeated appeals to appoint a full-time chairperson and members to the commission," said Yogananda of RTE Parents' Association.

Free organ transplants in State touch century mark

The Hindu Bureau
BENGALURU

The 100 surgeries comprised 77 kidney, 15 heart, and eight liver transplants

Karnataka's Organ Transplantation scheme reached a milestone on October 13 when the free organ transplants touched the century mark.

The 100 patients from below the poverty line (BPL) families, who have undergone free organ transplants, have also got a total of 726 cycles of free immunosuppressive medication under the scheme since its inception in 2019.

Health and Medical Education Minister K. Sudhakar, who tweeted about this milestone on Saturday, said the 100 transplants comprised 77 kidney transplants, 15 heart transplants, and eight liver transplants. The Karnataka government has so far spent over ₹5 crore on free transplants and supply of life-saving medicines that have to be taken lifelong post-transplant.

Launched in 2019

As organ transplants are not covered under the Arogya Karnataka-Ayushman Bharat Scheme, the government, in 2019, launched the free organ transplantation scheme – heart, liver, and kidney – for all BPL patients in government and private-empanelled hospitals. It had set aside ₹30 crore for this scheme in 2019 budget.

The government had fixed package rates of ₹2 lakh for kidney transplant, ₹10 lakh for heart transplant, and ₹11 lakh for liver transplant. A sum of ₹1 lakh has been fixed as financial assistance for post-transplant immunosuppressive medication.

According to data from the Suvarna Arogya Suraksha Trust (SAST), the nodal agency implementing the State's health schemes, 23 patients underwent transplants and received 82 cycles of immunosuppressive medicine in 2019-20.

In 2020-21 despite the pandemic, nine patients underwent transplants. In 2021-22, 32 patients underwent free transplants and received 284 cycles of immunosuppressive medicine. In 2022-23, till October 13, 36 patients have undergone free transplants and received 200 cycles of immunosuppressive medicine.

Stretch of Bengaluru-Mysuru highway flooded after overnight heavy rain and lake breach

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Under water: A flooded portion of the Bengaluru-Mysuru highway. SPECIAL ARRANGEMENT

Parts of the Bengaluru-Mysuru highway were flooded again and commuters were left stranded on Saturday after a lake near Mandya breached its bund and overflowed following heavy rain on Friday night. The flooding was mostly restricted between the Mandya and Maddur stretch of the highway, owing to Badanur lake breaching its bund. However, this led to traffic disruptions on the key highway.

Traffic diverted

Bengaluru traffic police diverted traffic and asked commuters from the city to use Bengaluru-Nagamangala-Pandavapura-Srirangapatna-Mysuru road. The Karnataka State Road Transport Corporation (KSRTC) also diverted buses through Malavalli. However, it took over five hours for the buses to reach Bengaluru from Mysuru. Mysuru KSRTC Divisional Controller Ashok Kumar told *The Hindu*, "We stopped operating buses via Mandya since the morning after we got information about flooding of the highway near Mandya."

This is the second instance of a breach in Budanur lake following torrential rain. Earlier, the lake breached in August, disrupting traffic on the highway. Traffic on the highway was restored after two days. Chikka Mandya lake near Maddur also developed a breach, flooding nearby areas. However, the flooding on the highway this time was not as severe as in August. Nagamangala and nearby areas in Mandya district too recorded heavy rain on Friday and Saturday. The entire bus stand in the town is flooded after the breach in the lake, severely inconveniencing passengers.

In August, the under-construction Bengaluru-Mysuru expressway hit the headlines after several stretches were inundated with rainwater in Ramanagaram district. Heavy rain and flooding of the road had forced the district administration to divert the traffic for several days.

'Provide data on how many convicts have availed of right to appeal against conviction'

The Hindu Bureau
BENGALURU

The High Court of Karnataka has sought data on how many convicts have exercised their legal right to file appeals against their conviction, and whether they have been provided with legal aid as per the law in case they were unable to engage the service of an advocate on their own.

A Division Bench comprising Justice Suraj Govindaraj and Justice G. Basavaraja passed the interim order after noticing that the High Court had to appoint an *amicus curiae* to represent a convict from Dharwad as the advocate representing him had stopped appearing on his behalf.

Also, the Bench found out through the *amicus curiae* that one of the accused persons in the same case had not filed any appeal against his conviction.

The Bench directed the High Court Legal Services Committee (HCLS) to collect the details from all the prisons in the State on the number of convicts, and whether all the convicts have filed appeals against their conviction.

In case of appeals filed by the convicts, the HCLS has to find out whether the appeals were filed through private advocates or the advocates appointed through the Karnataka State Legal Services Authority, the Bench said. If no appeals have been filed, the reasons why appeals have not been filed and whether free legal service/ aid was extended to such convicts or not has to be ascertained, said the Bench. The Bench also directed the Registrar (Computers) to develop necessary software to keep track of whether convicted persons filed appeals and whether they availed themselves of legal assistance.

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MONDAY, OCT. 17	
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RISE 00:01	SET 13:16

Bengaluru Weather	max	min
Tumakuru	30	24
Mysuru	30	20
Bengaluru	27	20

Bengaluru Today
27°C The weather will be comfortable but humid.Night will be pleasant. Few spells of moderate rain and thundershower will occur.

Bengaluru Tomorrow
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Complaint against Jaggi Vasudev for using rat snake at event

The Hindu Bureau
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The programme at Chickballapur was attended by the Chief Minister

Jaggi Vasudev, popularly known as Sadguru, founder of Isha Foundation, is in the dock for alleged illegal trapping, transporting, and displaying a rat snake during an event in Chickballapur October 9. The programme was attended by Chief Minister Basavaraj Bommai and senior officials.

Prathivi Raj C.N., board member of the Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals, filed a complaint with the Deputy Conservator of Forests, with a copy of the complaint submitted to the Deputy Commissioner's office, on Saturday for necessary action. Mr. Raj in his complaint said that Mr. Vasudev violated the Wildlife Protection Act, 1972, by displaying the rat snake at the event. The rat snake is protected under Schedule 2 of the Act.

"The snake was displayed under blazing lights on the stage in front a crowd by Sadhguru to promote his programme. The source of the snake is yet to be ascertained through a proper probe. It has not been handed over to the Forest Department till date," Mr. Raj, said in his complaint.

Mr. Raj also claimed there were other environmental law violations by the foundation while building the premises in Chickballapur.

Constables feted for saving man from being lynched

The crowd was agitated that a scooterist was allegedly carrying beef in a bag from Hindupur to Bengaluru

The Hindu Bureau
BENGALURU

Two constables who valiantly rescued a man from being possibly lynched for allegedly carrying beef recently have been facilitated by the Bengaluru Rural police.

Constables Nyama Gowda and Adarsha, part of the Hoysala squad of Doddaballapur range, were on night rounds when they were alerted about a road accident and road rage at Bashettihalli junction in Doddaballapur Industrial Area. The duo reached the spot within three minutes.

"When we reached, there was an angry mob of over 100 people trying to assault a man lying on the ground. The mob was hurling abuses at the scooterist who was already injured. Mr. Nyama Gowda immediately stopped the patrol vehicle and both of us jumped into the crowd to cover the man," recounted Mr. Adarsha.

A scooter that was set ablaze by the mob at Bashettihalli junction in Doddaballapur Industrial Area recently, and (right) constables Nyama Gowda and Adarsha were felicitated for rescuing a man from being lynched. SPECIAL ARRANGEMENT

The crowd was agitated that the scooterist, later identified as Hidayatullah, 35, a resident of Hindupur, Andhra Pradesh, was allegedly carrying beef in a bag on the way from Hindupur to Bengaluru. While crossing Bashettihalli junction, he was overspeeding, lost balance and fell on the road. The bag he was carrying fell on the ground and pieces of meat lay scattered. Passers-by rushed to his help but soon assumed the meat was beef. Soon, a large mob gathered and the situation became tense. The BJP government in the State recently passed a law – The Karnataka Prevention of Slaughter and Preservation of Cattle Act, 2020, which imposes stringent punishment for cow slaughter.

"As more people gathered and were all set to assault the scooterist, we jumped in, in the nick of time. The situation was getting out of control and even a few minutes' delay could have led the situation to go out of hand. We started screaming at the top of our voices, warning the mob of legal consequences. We were unarmed but we knew some of those in the mob, we took their names and warned them repeatedly by shouting," recounted Mr. Nyama Gowda.

This made the mob a bit hesitant and provided the two constables valuable time. "We picked up the scooterist on the ground, covered him between us, bundled him into the ," Mr. Nyama Gowda recounted. The angry mob got agitated with this and set fire to the scooter. Backup forces soon arrived at the spot and the situation was brought under control. "If we had not intervened in time, he could have been possibly lynched and that could have triggered a communal situation in the district," a senior police official said. "We did only the best we could in the given situation. We were two unarmed constables against an angry mob of over a 100 people," said Mr. Adarsha.

The police have now registered a riots case and booked several people who were part of the mob that day, while Hidayatullah was booked for allegedly smuggling beef into the State.

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PUBLIC NOTICE

General Public are hereby informed that my client intends to purchase the schedule property from its owner Mrs. MALIKA BEGUM, W/o. Mr. Syed Bhasheerulla,. Anyone having any claim, share or interest in the schedule property shall lodge their claims with Original documents with the undersigned within 10 days from the date of Publication of this Public Notice. If no claims are lodged within 10 days of time it is presumed that Mrs. MALIKA BEGUM is having valid & marketable title to the schedule property and my client will proceed with the purchase of schedule property.

SCHEDULE

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No.MLBCC-2/DB-1/E-tender/4701/ 22-23/2318 Dated: 14-10-2022

SHORT TERM TENDER NOTIFICATION Call-2
Through E-Portal system only) (Two cover system)

Electronic percentage tender through e-procurement platform is invited by the Executive Engineer, KNNL, MLBCC Division No.2, Naviluteertha, on behalf of M.D., KNNL Bangalore for taking up the following work from the Eligible contractors registered under KPWD/KNNL, B'lore, The tenderers are required to apply in two cover system (as per KTTP act 2000)

(Work Indent no. 32592)
Estimated amount Rs. 495.00 Lakhs

1. Last date of receipt : (Two cover) 25-10-2022 up to 4.00 Pm. 2. Cover –I (Technical Bid Two cover will be opened on 27-10-2022 at 4.30 PM

Further information about electronic tendering can be had from www.eproc.karnataka.gov.in and can be had from the undersigned during office hours.

Sd/-(V.K.Mudigoudar)
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No. KPCL/2022-23/PS/WORK_INDENT 12867 Date: 05.09.2022

e-TENDER NOTIFICATION-CORRIGENDUM-2

Name of work: **Design, Supply, Erection & commissioning of numerical relays for generator and generator transformer protection for Units - 1, 2, 3, 6, 7 & 8 at MGHE** works. **The Revised Dates are**: Last date for online submission of tender: **25.10.2022 at 16.00 Hrs.** Opening of Technical Bid: **27.10.2022 at 16.30 Hrs.** Opening of Financial Bid: **28.10.2022 at 16.45 Hrs.** All other Terms and Conditions of the e-Tender Notification will remain same. Corrigendum will be available in e-Procurement Portal. Further details can be obtained from the office of the **Executive Engineer (EM&O),** MGHE Works, KPCL, Jogfalls - 577 435, Sagar - Tq., Shivamogga - Dist. Karnataka. Mobile: 94495 98853. E-mail: eeemghejog@gmail.com

Department of Agriculture
Commissionerate of Agriculture, Seshadri Road, Bengaluru-560 001.

No.DDA/FM&MI/Agpro/Tarpulin/RFP/2022-23 Date: 12-10-2022

Request for Proposal

Sub: e-based "Request for Proposal" for empanelment of Manufacturer/MoU holder for supply of various IS Standards Tarpaulins to Farmers under Departmental subsidy programmes for the year 2022-23.

e-Procurement invitation for "Request for Proposal" is invited for empanelment of Manufacturers/MoU holder for supply of various IS Standards' Tarpaulins to farmers under Departmental subsidy programmes for the year 2022-23.

The interested Manufacturers/MoU holder have to register at the **Centre for e-Governance, 4th Floor, Sri Arvinda Bhavan, Mythic Society, Bengaluru-01** and obtain the DSC key/e-token through their authorized Agencies. **Website: https://eproc.karnataka.gov.in, helpdesk: 080-22230960 / 22234115.**

Applications for Request for Proposal document can be downloaded from the **website: https://eproc.karnataka.gov.in** from : **14-10-2022 to Date: 14-11-2022** by paying Processing Fee as prescribed by e-Procurement platform in the form of e-Payment through e-Procurement portal which is non-refundable. Apart from Processing Fee, an EMD of **Rs.4.00 lakhs** shall be paid through e-procurement portal. The last date for on-line submission of applications will be on **Date: 14-11-2022 before 5:00 p.m.** The Technical Proposals will be opened on **Date: 16-11-2022 at 11:30 a.m.** at Samrudhi, V.C. Hall, Commissionerate of Agriculture, Seshadri Road, Bengaluru-01. For more details contact: Centre for e-Governance, 4th Floor, Sri Arvinda Bhavan, Mythic Society, Bengaluru-01. **Website: https://eproc.karnataka.gov.in, Helpdesk: 080-22230960 / 22234115 / 8046010000 and email: support@helpdsk.com**

Sd/- Director of Agriculture and RFP Inviting Authority

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BRUHAT BENGALURU MAHANAGARA PALIKE
Office of the Executive Engineer, Project Division, R.R. Nagara Zone, BBMP Office Building, 2nd Floor, Neharu Road, BEML Layout, Bengaluru - 98.

No:BBMP/EE/Proj/RRN/TEN/07/2022-23 Date: 15.10.2022

SHORT TERM TENDER NOTIFICATION (Single cover System)
(Through **GOK e-Procurement Portal** only)

Tenders on item rate basis are invited by the Executive Engineer, (Project Division), BBMP for the work mentioned below under the Karnataka Transparency in Public Procurement Rules 2000 in prescribed format from the registered **Service provider / contractors** of BBMP or equivalent registration with CPWD/KPWD/Railways/MES or any State Government Organizations.

Name of the Works	Est. Amount (₹. in Lakhs)	EMD (in ₹.)
Repair and Renovation of Namma Clinic building in Ward No-28, 29, 30, 34 & 35 at Yashavanthapura Constituency.	19.91	20,000/-
Repair and Renovation of Namma Clinic building in Ward No-36, 38, 40 & 49 at R.R Nagara Constituency.	21.97	44,000/-

Calendar of Events : (1) Documents can be downloaded from e-procurement website from **20.10.2022** onwards. (2) Last Date for Submission of Tender Document is **27.10.2022** up to **4:00** pm. (3) Opening of Financial Bid is on **28.10.2022** at **4:30** pm. In the Event of the Specified Date of Tender Opening being declared a Holiday for the Employer, the Tenders will be opened at the Appointed Time and Location on the Next Working Day. Further details may be obtained from the above office during office hours on working days or from website: **https://eproc.karnataka.gov.in**

Sd/- Executive Engineer, Project Division, RR Nagara Zone

KARNATAKA POWER TRANSMISSION CORPORATION LIMITED
(CIN: U40109KA1999SGC025521)

No. CEE/TRZ/SEE(O)/AEE3/22-23/7370-73 Date : 14.10.2022

SHORT TERM TENDER NOTIFICATION
(THROUGH E-PROCUREMENT MODE ONLY)

KPTCL invites bid against **enquiry No. KPTCL/CEE/TKR/TZ/CEP-232 Dated : 15.10.2022** for supply, installation and commissioning of Laptops, Desktop Computers, Printers, Scanners and UPS required for various Stations and Offices coming under Transmission Zone, KPTCL, Tumakuru.

The bid will be received through E-Procurement mode only.

The detailed notification regarding the subject enquiry in the E-Procurement process can be obtained by logging into e-procurement website : **https://eproc.karnataka.gov.in** or KPTCL website **https://kptcl.karnataka.gov.in** or click on hyperlink "e-procurement-KPTCL" on or after **17.10.2022.** The other details can be obtained from the undersigned Office during Office hours.

Sd/- Chief Engineer, Electy., Transmission Zone, KPTCL, 1st Floor, Siddaganga Complex, B.H.Road, Tumakuru-572102

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No. EE/KSPH&IDCL/CNT/TND/62/2022-23/207 Date: 13.10.2022

SHORT TERM NOTICE INVITING TENDER

KSPH & IDCL invites online tender as per KTTP 2000 Act & as per Standard Tender Document KW-2 & 4 through e-procurement portal **https://eproc.karnataka.gov.in** (Two Cover System) for Various Developmental and Construction works under the following:

1. Construction of High Grounds Police Station, High Grounds Traffic Police Station & ACP Sheshadripuram Office Building in Bangalore. **(APT Rs. 479.96 Lakhs)**
2. Repairs to existing UGD Line near Mini Tunga PC Quarters at KSRP 4th Battalion Koramangala, Bangalore **(APT Rs. 32.76 Lakhs)**
3. Upgradation of Prisoners Interview room at Ramanagara District Jail in Ramanagara Dist. **(APT Rs. 30.43 Lakhs)**

Class-II & above for Sl.No. 1 and Class-III & above for Sl.No. 2 & 3. The Interested Eligible Contractors may participate in tendering process.

The details such as Tender Fee, EMD, Tender Documents, Last date of receipt etc., Are available on e-Procurement Portal from **20.10.2022.** Any further details can be obtained from KSPH & IDCL during the office Hours.

"KSPH & IDCL reserves the right to accept or reject any or all bids without assigning any reasons."

Note: Henceforth any changes / modifications in the tender will be updated only on e-Procurement portal.

DIPR/DDU/AAA/2612/2022-23

Sd/- Executive Engineer-Contracts

OFFICE OF THE EXECUTIVE ENGINEER
PWD, Ramanagara Special Division, Ramanagara.

Short Term Tender Notification No. 03/2022-23 Date : 13-10-2022

SHORT TERM TENDER NOTIFICATION

Short Term Tenders are invited in Two Cover System from the eligible contractors for **11 works** from **Rs. 100.00 Lakh to Rs. 400.00 Lakhs** through e-procurement portal as per the Standard bid documents. The eligible contractors can participate in this tender through **e-procurement portal http://www.eproc.karnataka.gov.in.** Documents may be downloaded from **15-10-2022 to 04-11-2022, Last Date for Submission of Tender 04-11-2022 upto 16.00 hours, Pre-Bid meeting 21-10-2022 at 11.30 Hrs. Date of Opening of Technical Bid 05-11-2022 (If possible) at 16.30 hours. Tender Processing Fees, EMD as per E-Procurement. For more information contact the undersigned during Office Hours.**

Sd/- Executive Engineer, PWD Spl. Division, Ramanagara.

DIPR/Ramanagar/279/Manipal/2022-23

Deputy Conservator of Forests, Social Forest Division, Shivamogga.
P.h No.: 08182-223900 E-mail: dcfsfsmg@gmail.com

No.A7:BUD:KIADB:CR-28/Tender/22-23 Date: 12/10/2022

Brief Re-Tender Notice (Through e-Procurement)

Re-Tender is invited for implementation of Greenary Works at KIADB Industrial Residential Area in Shivamogga Social Forestry Zone of Deputy Conservator of Forests, Social Forestry Division, Shivamogga for the year 2022-23 from eligible Forest Contractors registered in Social Forestry Division for the Current Financial Year and interested Contractors having experience of carrying out similar works. Interested Contractors can submit the Bids through e-procurement portal within 4.30 PM on 20.10.2022. Complete information of the Re-Tender can be obtained from e-procurement portal and for further information this office can be contacted during office hours. (Office Phone Number: 08182-223900).

Sd/-Deputy Conservator of Forests, Social Forestry Division, Shivamogga.

DIPR/smg/No.73/10/mca/22-23/1094

KRISHNA BHAGYA JALA NIGAM LIMITED
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Office of the Executive Engineer, KBJNL, ALBC Division,Almatti-586201.
Tq:B.Bagewadi Dt: Vijayapur. Phone:08426-281044,

No:KBJNL/ALBC-DN/DM/TND/DH-SCP-TSP/2022-23/1851 Date:12.10.2022

SHORT TERM TENDER NOTIFICATION- 2nd Call
(Through e-procurement only)

On behalf of the Managing Director, KBJNL, Bangalore, the Executive Engineer KBJNL, ALBC Division Almatti the under undersigned invites tender on **Percentage basis** in single & Two cover system from **KPWD Class-III and above** registered contractors **in KW-1 & 3 documents** for the work **Construction of Samuday Bhavan under SCP and TSP for the year 2019-20 pertains to D. Hipparagi Constituency**. **Indent No. 23089, 23090, 23092, 23093 and 23094** and Approx. amount put to tender **for 05 packages** is :**Rs. 134.51 lakhs**.

The contractor can have access and submission of completed e-tender document of from **13.10.2022 to 21.10.2022** up to 5.00 pm. The Cover –I (Technical bid) will be opened in the under signed office on **27.10.2022** at 11.00 AM. The Cover –II (Financial bid) of qualified bidder will be opened in the under signed office on **31.10.2022** at11.00 AM.

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Sd/- Executive Engineer, KBJNL, ALBC Division,Almatti

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No.EE/PRED/CHN/JE-1/TENDER NOTIFICATION No. 11/2022-23 Dated : 11-10-2022

Item rate tenders are invited through e-procurement portal On behalf of Governor of Karnataka from eligible Registered Contractors in standard bid document KW-1, KW-2 & KW-3 form the total number of tenders 18, Maximum estimated cost is Rs. 271.65 lakhs under Other Department Grants Accounts.

Tender upload date	: 12-10-2022
Last date for submission of tender	: 19-10-2022 upto 16.00 hours
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Sd/- Executive Engineer, PRE Division, Chamarajanagar

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No:EE/RDW&SD/MDY/JJM TENDER22-23/2022-23/1791 Dated:14-10-2022

Short Term Tender Notification NO-05/2022-23
(Single & Two Cover System)

On behalf of Governor of karnataka, The E.E, R.D.W & S Division, Mandya invited tender for Providing FHTCs works in Malavalli, Mandya, Pandavapura and Srirangapatna Tq, Mandya District from eligible bidders. Last Date & Time for Receipt of Bids:**02.11.2022 Time :05:30 PM,** Date & Time of Technical Bid Opening: **03.11.2022 Time:05:35 PM,** Date & Time of Financial Bid Opening:**07.11.2022 Time:11:00 AM.** Amount Put to tender Maximum:**Rs.245.56 Lakhs.** More details can be obtained through e-procurement portal of Govt of karnataka www.eproc.karnataka.gov.in or from this office during working hours.**Phone No: 08232-222363.**

Sd/-Executive Engineer Rural Drinking Water and Sanitation Division, Mandya

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LEGAL NOTICE

IN THE COURT OF 28th ADDL. CITY CIVIL & SESSIONS JUDGE, MAYOHALL AT BANGALORE (CCH- 29) O.S. NO. 26477/2020

BETWEEN :
M/s. ICICI BANK LIMITED Mittal Tower, M.G. Road, Bangalore- 560001 Represented by its Manager and Power of Attorney Holder **Mr. Pramodh G. ...Plaintiff**
V/S.
Mr. Ramu Chennam Shetty ...Defendant

Summons To Defendant

Mr. Ramu Chennam Shetty, S/o. Mr. Narasimha Rao Chennam Shetty, Aged about 30 years, No.1311,1st Main, 1st Cross, 3rd Floor, Khadi Board Layout, Vivek Nagar, Bangalore- 560 085.

Whereas, the above named Plaintiff has filed a Civil Suit for Recovery of a sum of **Rs. 2,63,773.30/- (Rupees Two Lakhs Sixty Three Thousand Seven Hundred Seventy Three and paise Thirty Only)** apart from future interest of 13.990% p.a., in **O.S. No. 26477/2020** and same is pending adjudication in **CCH-29,** Before 28th Addl. City Civil & Sessions Judge, Mayohall, Bengaluru.

You are hereby summoned to appear before the Hon'ble Court on the 15th Day of November, 2022 at 11 A.M. to answer to the same, if failed the suit will be decided in your absence, Ex-parte.

Given under my Hand and Seal of the Court this the 12th day of October 2022.

Deputy Registrar, City Civil Court, Mayohall, BENGALURU- 560 001

FX & Co., ADVOCATES, New No. 9, Old No. 11/1, Gover Road, Cox Town, BENGALURU- 560 005.

LEGAL NOTICE

IN THE COURT OF 28th ADDL CITY CIVIL & SESSIONS JUDGE, MAYOHALL BANGALORE (CCH- 29) O.S. NO. 26478/2020

BETWEEN :
M/s. ICICI BANK LIMITED Mittal Tower, M.G. Road, Bangalore- 560001 Represented by its Manager and power of Attorney Holder Mr. Pramodh G. **...Plaintiff**
V/s
Mr. P.C. PARAMESH PALGUNA **...Defendant**

Summons To Defendant

Mr. P.C. PARAMESH PALGUNA, S/o Mr. Chinappa, Aged about 33 years, No.15, 1st Cross, Chandra Layout, Opp. IOC Petrol Bunk, Maruthinagar, Bangalore North, Bangalore- 560 072.

Whereas, the above named Plaintiff has filed a Civil Suit for Recovery of a sum of Rs. **14,94,398.33/- (Rupees Fourteen Lakhs Ninety Four Thousand Three Hundred Ninety Eight and paise Thirty Three Only)** apart from future interest of 18% p.a., in **O.S. No. 26478/2020** and same is pending adjudication in CCH-29, Before Addl. City Civil & Sessions Judge, Mayohall, Bengaluru.

You are hereby summoned to appear before the Hon'ble Court on the 15th Day of November 2022 at 11:00 A.M. to answer to the same, if failed the suit will be decided in your absence, Exparte.

Given under my Hand and Seal of the Court this the 12 day of October, 2022.

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LEGAL NOTICE

IN THE COURT OF ADDL. CITY CIVIL JUDGE, MAYOHALL AT BANGALORE (CCH- 29) O.S. NO. 25032/2021

BETWEEN:
M/s. ICICI BANK LIMITED Mittal Tower, M.G. Road, Bangalore- 560001 Represented by its Manager and Power of Attorney Holder Mr. Pramodh G. **...PLAINTIFF**
AND:
Mr. Palaksha Murthy HN & Anr. **...DEFENDANT**

Summons

1. Mr. Palaksha Murthy HN S/o. Mr. Narayanappa, Aged about 35 years, #66, Bommalingeshwara Nilaya, 7th Cross, Rukmin Nagar, Nagasandra Post, Bangalore- 560073.
2. Mrs. Jayalashmamma W/o. Narayanappa Aged about 58, (same as above)

Whereas, the above named Plaintiff has filed a Civil Suit for Recovery of a sum of **13,75,809.88/- (Rupees Thirteen Lakhs Seventy Five Thousand Eight Hundred and Nine and Paise Eighty Eight Only)** apart from future interest of 18% p.a., in **O.S. No. 25032/2021** and same is pending adjudication in **CCH-29,** Before 28th Addl., City Civil Court Mayohall, Bengaluru.

You are hereby summoned to appear before the Hon'ble Court on the 07th Day of November, 2022 at 11:00 A.M. to answer to the same, if failed the suit will be decided in your absence, Exparte.

Given under my Hand and Seal of the Court this the 15/09/2022.

Order of the Court Deputy Registrar, City Civil Court, Mayohall, Bengaluru- 560 001

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IN THE COURT OF 26th ADDL. CITY CIVIL JUDGE, MAYOHALL AT BANGALORE (CCH- 20) O.S. NO. 25319/2019

BETWEEN :
M/s. ICICI BANK LIMITED Mittal Tower, M.G. Road, Bangalore- 560001 Represented by its Manager and Power of Attorney Holder **Mr. Pramodh G. ...Plaintiff**
V/S.
Mr. Raju N. ...Defendant

Summons To Defendant

Mr. Raju N.
S/o. Mr. Nemaram, Aged About 43 Years, Monika Hardware Plywood Glass & Electricals, No. 4, Khata No. 866, Ground Floor, Cholanayakanahalli Village, RT Nagar, Bangalore- 560032.

Whereas, the above named Plaintiff has filed a Civil Suit for Recovery of a sum of **Rs. 3,09,660.57/- (Rupees Three Lakhs Nine Thousand Six Hundred Sixty and Paise Fifty Seven Only)** apart from future interest of 18% p.a., in **O.S.No. 25319/2019** and same is pending adjudication in **CCH-20**, Before 26th Addl. City Civil Court, Mayohall, Bengaluru.

You are hereby summoned to appear before the Hon'ble Court on the 29th Day of November 2022 at 11 A.M. to answer to the same, if failed the suit will be decided in your absence, Ex-parte.

Given under my Hand and Seal of the Court this the 12th day of October 2022.

By Order of the Court Deputy Registrar, City Civil Court, Mayohall, BENGALURU- 560 001

FX & Co., ADVOCATES, New No. 9, Old No. 11/1, Gover Road, Cox Town, BENGALURU- 560 005.

LEGAL NOTICE

IN THE COURT OF THE LII ADDITIONAL CITY CIVIL & SESSIONS JUDGE AT BENGALURU (CCH-53) Hg- 16/11/2022 O.S. NO. 6845/2021

Between :
M/s. ICICI Bank Limited, having its registered office at : Landmark, Race-Course Circle, Vadodara-390007, having its head office at and branch office at : 4/10, Mythree Tower, Bommanahalli, Hosur Main Road, Bengaluru- 560068 through its Authorised representative Mr. Rohith Ali. M **...Plaintiff**
And
Ms. Preethu R Shetty **...Defendant**

SUMMONS TO DEFENDANT BY WAY OF PAPER PUBLICATION UNDER ORDER V RULE 20 OF CPC

Defendant :
Ms. Preethu R Shetty, D/o. Raghuram Shetty, Aged about 35 Years, Residing at No.1102, 11th Floor, A Block, Vasundhara Krithika, Hosakerehalli, BSK 1st Stage, Opposite PES College, Bengaluru- 560085.

Whereas the plaintiff above named has instituted the above suit for recovery of money for sum of Rs. 52,370.32/- along with interest at the rate of 15% P.A. against you, and you are summoned to appear before the LII Addl. City Civil & Sessions Judge at Bengaluru (C.C.H.-53), in person or by a pleader, on the day of 16/11/2022 at 11:00 AM to answer the claim, failing to which the suit would be disposed of Ex-Parte.

Given under my hand and seal of the court on this the 11th day of October, 2022 at Bangalore.

By Order of the Court Assistant Registrar Hon'ble City Civil Court Bengaluru

Advocate for Plaintiff B.S. Jeevan Kumar Vidhii Partners, Advocates, No. 701, Queens Corner 'A', 3, Queens Road, Bengaluru- 01

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INBRIEF

Yatra trying to launch a 'failed missile': Chief Minister

Chief Minister Basavaraj Bommai on Saturday ridiculed the Congress' Bharat Jodo Yatra and Rahul Gandhi who is leading it, calling it "an attempt to launch a failed missile." Speaking in Bengaluru, Mr. Bommai said that Mr. Gandhi is being relaunched through the yatra, but the exercise is meaningless, when India is growing as a strong nation. "The country has been marching ahead as united India. The question of fixing it does not arise. India is making rapid progress on the international level," he said.

Yatra not for making anyone PM or CM: Shivakumar

Karnataka Pradesh Congress Committee president D.K. Shivakumar, a contender for the post of Chief Minister if Congress assumes power and said to be facing stiff competition from Siddaramaiah camp, appeared keen to assert that the yatra is not aimed at the next elections or deciding who is the Chief Ministerial candidate. "Bharat Jodo Yatra is not for making Rahul Gandhi the Prime Minister of India. It is not for making Mallikarjun Kharge the Chief Minister of Karnataka. It is not for making Siddaramaiah the Chief Minister of Karnataka. Nor is it for making me the Chief Minister. It is for uniting the people of the country," he asserted.

Special status to Kalyana Karnataka gift of Sonia: Kharge

Veteran Congress leader Mallikarjun Kharge, in the race to be AICC president, joined the Bharat Jodo Yatra on Saturday at Ballari and said that Article 371(J) that accorded special status to Kalyana Karnataka was the "gift of Sonia Gandhi" to the region. "Before Article 371(J), the students of the region hardly got any medical and engineering seats and jobs. Now, because of the Article 371(J), the thousands of students from the region are getting the medical and engineering seats as well as jobs. It is the gift of Sonia Gandhi. I appeal to you all to support the Congress for the development," Mr. Kharge said. "BJP and RSS are spreading hate and disturbing communal harmony in the country. Unemployment, poverty, rising of prices of essential commodities have pushed the people into deep crisis. The economy has derailed because of BJP's misrule. In Karnataka, commission government is ruling. We need to dislodge BJP from power," he said.

Unity, love, and harmony are in Indian blood and cannot be eliminated: Rahul Gandhi

Congress leader addresses a public rally in Ballari on Saturday as the Bharat Jodo Yatra completes 1,000 km, and slams the BJP and the RSS for 'divisive and hate politics'; party leaders from across India participate in the event

Kumar Buradikatti
BALLARI

Unity, love, and harmony are the defining characters of the people of Karnataka and India and cannot be eliminated even if right-wing groups make attempts over the next 50 years to remove them, said Congress leader and MP Rahul Gandhi.

He was addressing a massive public rally in Ballari in North Karnataka as part of Bharat Jodo Yatra, which on Saturday completed 1,000 kilometre of 3,570-km march launched in Kanyakumari, Tamil Nadu, on September 07, 2022.

Launching an attack on the Bharatiya Janata Party (BJP), Rashtriya Swayamsevak Sangh (RSS), and right-wing outfits for what he called "divisive and hate politics", Mr. Gandhi said they were dividing the country and making it weaker.

'Attack on the country'

"What the RSS and BJP are indulging in is not patriotism. It is an attack on the country. People of different castes, religions, languages and age-groups are walking with us in Bharat Jodo Yatra for the last one month. Nowhere have we seen hate and violence. It is not just a yatra but a way of thinking about unity, love, and harmony. It is the thought of Karnataka and India. It is the thought that Basavanna, Ambedkar, and Narayan Guru advocated and I have seen that it is in your blood. It cannot be removed even if they [RSS, BJP] and other right-wing groups make attempts to do so over the next 50 years," Mr. Gandhi said.

Congress leaders Rahul Gandhi, D.K. Shivakumar, and Siddaramaiah at a public meeting organised to mark the completion of 1,000 km of Bharat Jodo Yatra, in Ballari on Saturday; (below) Mr. Gandhi with party leader M. Mallikarjun Kharge. SRIDHAR KAVALI & SPECIAL ARRANGEMENT

Highlighting the constantly rising unemployment in the country, Mr. Gandhi said that none of the students and youths that he met and interacted with during the yatra in the last one month had any hope of getting decent jobs after completing their studies.

"Narendra Modi had promised 2 crore jobs every year. He was supposed to generate 16 crore jobs in the last eight years. But 14 crore people have lost their jobs in the period. The prices of essential commodities are skyrocketing. You are hit by unemployment on the one side and by price rise on the other," Mr. Gandhi said.

'Jobs being sold'

Referring to the Police Sub-Inspector recruitment scam in Karnataka, Mr. Gandhi said that those who could pay ₹80 lakh, would get PSI posts.

"The government jobs in cooperative banks, universities, and other government departments are being sold. If you have enough money, you can buy a government job. If you don't, you will have to remain unemployed through your life. Because of rampant corruption, the BJP government in Karnataka is infamously called the 40% government," Mr. Gandhi said.

Diversion of funds

Mr. Gandhi also termed the BJP government in the State as "anti-SCs/STs" and alleged that the government had diverted ₹8,000 crore meant for the development and welfare of Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes to other purposes.

On reservation

Recalling the constitution of Justice Nagamohan Das Commission by the previous Congress government, Mr. Gandhi demanded the current BJP government immediately implement the Commission's recommendation of increasing the reservation quota to SCs and STs without making any excuses.

Congress leaders from across India including Rajasthan Chief Minister Ashok Gehlot, Chhattisgarh Chief Minister Bhupesh Baghel, senior Congress leaders Mallikarjun Kharge, Digvijay Singh, and Jairam Ramesh, All India Congress Committee general secretary K.C. Venugopal, former Karnataka Chief Minister Siddaramaiah, and Karnataka Pradesh Congress Committee president D.K. Shivakumar, were present at the event.

Frenzy among Siddaramaiah supporters at meeting

The Hindu Bureau
BALLARI

The public meeting organised in Ballari on Saturday to mark the completion of 1,000 km of the 3570-km Bharat Jodo Yatra had supporters of former Chief Minister Siddaramaiah rooting for him throughout the programme.

There was cheers, applause, and whistles from the audience whenever Mr. Siddaramaiah's name was taken by the speakers. When Mr. Siddaramaiah himself was called to speak, his visibly excited followers began to clap and cheer without any sign of stopping. After initial attempts of the organisers to calm them down went in vain, Mr. Siddaramaiah himself had to repeatedly appeal to them to stop.

Attacking particularly Transport Minister and Ballari In charge B. Sriramulu, who had said that the Congress did not contribute anything to the development of Ballari, Mr. Siddaramaiah said the former knew no history and did not have any right to speak on Congress' contributions.

Striking an emotional chord

The Hindu Bureau
BALLARI

Congress leader Rahul Gandhi in his speech at Ballari tried to strike a chord with the people by recalling his family's association with Karnataka. He said it was from Ballari that his mother and Congress president Sonia Gandhi successfully contested the Lok Sabha election in 1999. His grandmother Indira Gandhi won from Chikkamagaluru in 1978.

Murugha Mutt seer hands over GPA to administrator

The Hindu Bureau
HUBBALLI

There is no question of the seer abdicating the peetha, says administrator S.B. Vastramath

Shivamurthy Murugha Sharanaru of Brihan Mutt, who is under judicial custody in connection with the alleged sexual harassment of minor girls, has handed over General Power of Attorney (GPA) to the new administrator of the mutt and former judge S.B. Vastramath.

Mr. Vastramath, who is also the secretary of SJM Vidyapeetha, said the legal process was completed in prison after getting requisite permission from the High Court. He said that being the chairman of SJM Vidyapeetha, Shivamurthy Murugha Sharanaru had the authority to clear administrative and financial issues. And now him granting GPA, the administrative and financial issues would be resolved, he said.

Mr. Vastramath clarified that there was no question of the seer abdicating the peetha and he would continue to be the chairman of Chinumuladri Sri Jagadguru Murugharajendra Trust. He clarified that the mutt and Vidyapeetha, which runs number of educational institutions, were separate.

With the seer being in prison, the employees of the Vidyapeetha and educational institutions were facing problems with wages and salaries. The High Court had given one-time permission to get the seer's signatures from the prison. Consequently, the proposal to hand over GPA to the administrator was placed before the High Court, which permitted it.

Speaking in Bengaluru, Chief Minister Basavaraj Bommai said the entire episode will be dealt with "as per provisions of law."

Statement recorded

Meanwhile, the Chitradurga district police recorded the statement of another victim and her guardian under 161 CrPC and requested the jurisdictional court to record the statement of the girl under Section 164 of CrPC.

The court has fixed October 17 for recording of statement.

The police have also requested the Child Welfare Committee to bring the complainant and the victims for investigation. It may recalled that another POCSO case has been filed against the seer in Mysuru.

Cabinet expansion: CM to leave for New Delhi

The Hindu Bureau
BELAGAVI

Chief Minister Basavaraj Bommai will soon leave for New Delhi to seek the party high command directions on the issue of Cabinet expansion.

"We will go ahead as soon as the party gives us permission to do so," he told journalists in Belagavi on Saturday. "It could happen amidst the on going Jan Sankalp yatra party rallies," he said.

Reacting to reports that Shiv Sena was opposing the construction of a Yatri Nivas by the Karnataka government in Kaneri Mutt in Kolhapur in Maharashtra, Mr. Bommai said it should not be an issue to anyone. "We should all overcome the barriers of language and region," he said. "Kaneri Mutt is a spiritual centre that attracts devotees from several States. There are several Kannada Bhavans or Yatri Nivas buildings built by the Karnataka government in Maharashtra," he said.

He described Prabhakar Kore, KLE society chairman, as a friend of several decades, who had worked in the field of education and healthcare. "He is a very friendly person. Hence, we have come here to celebrate his birthday," Mr. Bommai said.

Prasanna B. Varale takes oath as Chief Justice of Karnataka

Governor Thawaarchand Gehlot administering the oath of office to Justice Prasanna B. Varale at Raj Bhavan in Bengaluru on Saturday. SPECIAL ARRANGEMENT

The Hindu Bureau
BENGALURU

He was the senior-most judge of the Bombay High Court till his elevation as Chief Justice

Justice Prasanna B. Varale took oath as 32nd Chief Justice of the High Court of Karnataka on Saturday.

Governor Thaawarchand Gehlot administered the oath to Mr. Varale at the Raj Bhavan in the presence of Chief Minister Basavaraj Bommai, judges of the High Court, and other dignitaries.

He was the senior most judge of the Bombay High Court till his elevation as Chief Justice.

Born on June 23, 1962, at Nippani in Belagavi district of Karnataka, Mr. Varale graduated in arts and law from Dr. Babasaheb Ambedkar Marathwada University in Maharashtra and commenced his practice as an advocate in 1985.

He served as lecturer of law at the Ambedkar Law College, Aurangabad, from 1990 to 1992 and worked as assistant government pleader and additional public prosecutor at Bombay High Court Bench at Aurangabad and as an additional standing counsel for the Central government.

He was elevated as a judge of the Bombay High Court on July 18, 2008.

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SHORT-TERM TENDER NOTIFICATION

(Only through e-procurement)

Percentage rate tenders are invited by the undersigned on behalf of the Managing Director, KNNL Bangalore, from eligible Contractors for the work mentioned in the statement below:

1) Name of work : **CONSTRUCTION OF RAITH BHAVAN AT KADANI VILLAGE IN SINDAGI TALUKA VIJAYAPUR DISTRICT UNDER BHIMA L.I.S AFZALPUR (ID:33885),** 2) Approx. Amount put to tender (in Lakhs.) : **127.11,** 3) EMD (in Rs) : 190665.00, 4) Stipulated period for completion (including monsoon) : 6 months

The date fixed for submission of tenders through e-procurement is from **15.10.2022** to **27.10.2022 up to 4.00.** The Cover-I (Technical bid) will be opened on 28.10.2022 at 4.30 PM in the Office of the Superintending Engineer, KNNL, IPC Circle Kalaburagi.Cover-II (Financial bid) of qualified bidders will be opened on 31.10.2022 or after the technical bid approved. The blank tender documents can be obtained and submitted through website **http:// eproc.karnataka.gov.in.** Further, information if any can be obtained from the undersigned during working hours.

Executive Engineer,
KNNL, BLIS Divn., Afzalpur

DIPR/Kalaburagi/728/MC&A/2022-23

Government of Karnataka
(Karnataka Rural Water Supply & Sanitation Department)
Office of the Executive Engineer, Rural Water Supply & Sanitation, Division Yadgir - 585202

No.EE/RWS&SD/YDG/JJM TENDER/2022-23/1126 Date:13-10-2022

e-Procurement Short Term Tender Notification

The Executive Engineer, Rural Drinking Water & Sanitation Division, Yadgir here by invites Tender on behalf Hon'ble Governor Karnataka from the eligible civil contractor for works approved under JAL JEEVAN MISSION - 2022-23 details as below

Sl. No.	Taluka	Village Name	Estimate cost (Rs.in lakhs)	Indent No.	Eligibility of Contractor	Period of Completion
1.	Shorapur	PARASNALLI	135.00	48511	Class-III & above	180 Day's
2.	Shorapur	KANNALLI	249.00	48512	Class-II & above	180 Day's
3.	Yadgir	SAIDAPUR STATION	246.00	48513	Class-II & above	180 Day's

1) Eligibility of Contractors : Class-III and Above 2) Date of Commencement of downloading of bidding document Date: 17-10-2022 to 29-10-2022 3)Cost of Tender form and EMD : as per e-Procurement 4) Pre Bid Meeting Date: 20-10-2022 & Address: Office of the Executive Engineer, RDW&S Division Yadgir at 11.00 am 5) Last Date to Submit bids on e-portal : Date: 29-10-2022 before 4.30 pm 6) Opening of Technical Bid:Date: 31-10-2022 after 11.00 am 7) Opening of Financial Bid : Date: 03-11-2022 after 11.00 am. 8) For more information contact Executive Engineer, RDW&S Division Near Railway Station Yadgir. 9)web site:http://eproc.karnataka.gov.in and should be submitted through e-Procurement system only

Sd/-Executive Engineer
RDW&S Division Yadgir

DIP.Yadagiri/276/MCA/2022-23

INBRIEF

Thousands attend 'Visakha Garjana' in Andhra Pradesh

The 'Visakha Garjana' organised in the city by the Uttarandhra Non-political Joint Action Committee in support of YSRCP government's decision on decentralised development and three capitals for Andhra Pradesh, was a success here on Saturday. Braving heavy spells of heavy rain since the early hours of the day, the rally saw participation of more than 20,000 people.

Court to decide on Kerala MLA's bail plea on October 20

Rape case suspect and Congress MLA Eldose P. Kunnapillil remained incommunicado for the fourth day on Saturday, even as a district court in the Kerala capital postponed its order on granting him anticipatory bail until October 20. The police were seeking the Perumbavoor MLA's arrest and questioning in custody on the charge of raping a woman on the false promise of marriage. They have indicted him under section 376(2)(n) of the Indian Penal Code (IPC).

NGT imposes ₹2,900 crore fine on Karnataka govt.

The amount of compensation is to be utilised for restoration measures, preferably by evolving a suitable centralised single-window mechanism by the Chief Secretary

Ishita Mishra
NEW DELHI

The National Green Tribunal (NGT) has imposed an environmental penalty of ₹2,900 crore on the Karnataka government for failing to manage solid and liquid waste, causing harm to the environment.

The principal Bench of the NGT, headed by Justice Adarsh Kumar Goel, maintained that the steps taken by Karnataka for solid as well as liquid waste management were inadequate in terms of compliance of the Solid Waste Management (SWM) Rules, 2016, and NGT and the apex court orders.

"Admitted gap in generation and scientific handling of waste has resulted in damage to the environment and public health for which the State of Karnataka is liable to pay compensation of ₹2,900 crore. The amount of compensation is to be utilised for restoration measures preferably by evolving a suitable centralised single-window mechanism by the Chief Secretary, Karnataka," the court said.

Garbage dumped on R.V. Road in Bengaluru. BHAGYA PRAKASH K.

The tribunal maintained that the award of the compensation had become necessary under Section 15 of the NGT Act to remedy the continuing damage to the environment and to comply with directions of the Supreme Court requiring the tribunal to monitor enforcement of norms for solid and liquid waste management.

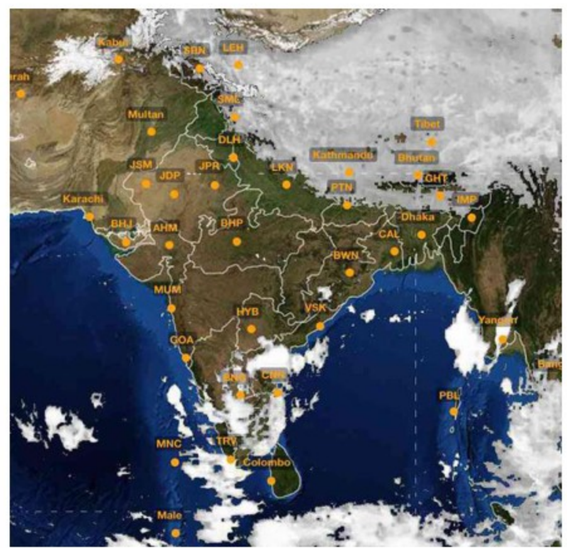
Moreover, without fixing quantified liability necessary for restoration, mere passing of orders has not shown any tangible results in the last eight years (for solid waste management) and five years (for liquid waste management), even after expiry of statutory/laid down timelines.

The court added that the sources of clean water need to be maintained free from sewage and other waste and treated sewage used for non-potable purposes to save potable water. STPs need to be fully utilised and standards of water quality maintained.

The legacy waste dump sites need to be fenced and maintained as per the SWM Rules, 2016, for fire safety and the protection of inhabitants. In particular, the sites need to be suitably fenced and covered till remediation. The reclaimed land after clearance of legacy waste has to be used and such use needs to be declared at the earliest.

WEATHERWATCH

Rainfall, temperature & air quality in select metros yesterday



TEMPERATURE DATA: IMD, POLLUTION DATA: CPCB, MAP: INSAT/IMD (TAKEN AT 18.00 HRS)

Forecast for Sunday: Heavy to very heavy rainfall at isolated places likely over South Interior Karnataka, Tamil Nadu and Puducherry. Heavy rainfall at isolated places likely over Andaman & Nicobar Islands, Madhya Maharashtra, Konkan, Goa, North Interior Karnataka, Kerala and Mahe.

CITY	RAIN	MAX	MIN	CITY	RAIN	MAX	MIN
Agartala	—	33.0	25.0	Kozhikode	—	35.2	25.5
Ahmedabad	—	35.0	21.0	Kurnool	1.0	31.1	24.6
Aizawl	—	22.0	20.0	Lucknow	—	31.5	20.7
Allahabad	—	33.3	20.6	Madurai	39.0	33.2	23.4
Bengaluru	46.0	29.0	19.8	Mangaluru	—	30.4	23.5
Bhopal	—	30.3	16.2	Mumbai	7.0	32.0	24.0
Bhubaneswar	27.0	33.1	24.4	Mysuru	45.0	31.4	18.4
Chandigarh	—	31.4	17.6	New Delhi	—	30.8	18.8
Chennai	—	33.5	23.7	Patna	—	32.4	21.9
Coimbatore	0.6	33.6	22.4	Port Blair	—	30.8	24.5
Dehradun	—	31.1	16.4	Puducherry	—	31.1	23.3
Gangtok	—	21.4	12.7	Pune	0.8	31.0	20.9
Goa	2.0	31.6	23.2	Raipur	—	32.4	24.5
Guwahati	—	32.0	22.4	Ranchi	9.0	27.2	21.5
Hubballi	—	29.0	22.0	Shillong	—	22.6	14.0
Hyderabad	2.0	28.0	21.3	Shimla	—	22.2	13.1
Imphal	—	30.5	17.8	Srinagar	—	26.2	6.6
Jaipur	—	32.2	19.6	Thiruvananthapuram	—	31.6	23.7
Kochi	0.8	29.6	24.6	Tiruchi	—	33.3	24.4
Kohima	2.0	23.2	15.2	Vijayawada	21.0	29.2	24.2
Kolkata	—	33.6	26.0	Visakhapatnam	107.0	27.6	24.8

(Rainfall data in mm; temperature in Celsius)

Pollutants in the air you are breathing

CITIES	SO_2	NO_2	CO	PM2.5	PM10	CODE
Ahmedabad	102	134	.5	174	200	
Bengaluru	8	28	20	—	114	
Chennai	3	22	93	64	59	
Delhi	12	61	34	293	230	
Hyderabad	14	7	177	—	79	
Kolkata	8	25	26	82	93	
Lucknow	13	81	59	105	142	
Mumbai	32	82	43	48	220	
Pune	—	22	52	—	—	
Visakhapatnam	34	32	51	22	62	

Yesterday

In observation made at 4.00 p.m., Dharuhera, Haryana recorded an overall air quality index (AQI) score of 286 indicating a poor level of pollution. In contrast, Sivasagar, Assam recorded a healthy AQI score of 16

Air Quality Code: Poor Moderate Good (Readings indicate average AQI)

SO_2: Sulphur Dioxide. Short-term exposure can harm the respiratory system, making breathing difficult. It can affect visibility by reacting with other air particles to form haze and stain culturally important objects such as statues and monuments.

NO_2: Nitrogen Dioxide. Aggravates respiratory illness, causes haze to form by reacting with other air particles, causes acid rain, pollutes coastal waters.

CO: Carbon monoxide. High concentration in air reduces oxygen supply to critical organs like the heart and brain. At very high levels, it can cause dizziness, confusion, unconsciousness and even death.

PM2.5 & PM10: Particulate matter pollution can cause irritation of the eyes, nose and throat, coughing, chest tightness and shortness of breath, reduced lung function, irregular heartbeat, asthma attacks, heart attacks and premature death in people with heart or lung disease

Order on 'Vedic' maths in Karnataka withdrawn

Jayanth R.
BENGALURU

Following protests, the Karnataka Government has withdrawn the order introducing 'Vedic' maths from class 5 to 8 for Scheduled Caste (SC) and Scheduled Tribe (ST) children in government schools in gram panchayat limits.

On September 16, *The Hindu* published article on the government's plans to conduct these classes using Scheduled Caste Sub Plan (SCSP) and Tribal Sub Plan (TSP) funds set aside by the Rural Development and Panchayat Raj Department (RDPR). Several Dalit activists and students' unions had objected to 'diversion' of funds, forcing the government to put the decision on hold until further orders.

In an order dated October 11, the Additional Secretary in the Rural Development and Panchayat Raj Department withdrew the decision stating that inclusion of 'Vedic' maths in the curriculum had been taken without consulting the Department of School Education and Literacy, and therefore, stands withdrawn immediately.

Implementation of the 'Vedic' maths programme had been entrusted to AVM Academy in Hiriyuru. They had started a training programme for teachers before the order was withdrawn.

Police, prosecutors must inform jurisdictional court immediately after transfer of FIRs: HC

The Hindu Bureau
BENGALURU

The High Court of Karnataka has directed the State government to issue necessary circulars to the police and the prosecution departments to immediately inform the jurisdictional courts whenever the First Information Reports (FIRs) are transferred from one police station to the other.

Also, the court directed that the judges in all the trial courts should affix their initials on the chargesheet along with the date, and ensure its entry in the order sheets of the case as soon as the police submit the chargesheet in a criminal case.

Issue instructions

The court directed the Home Secretary and the Director-General and Inspector-General of Police to issue instructions to all the police stations and the public prosecutors in this regard.

Justice P.N. Desai issued the directions recently while noticing that one Sunil, an accused in a murder case, had almost succeeded in getting 'default bail' from the 1st Additional Civil Judge (ACJ) & Judicial Magistrate First Class (KMFC), Kalaburagi, due to miscommunication that the Mahagoan police had not filed chargesheet within the specified 90 days.

However, the I ACJ & JMFC did not allow his release on 'default bail' after it came to know that the FIR was transferred to Kalaburagi Rural police station within a month of its registration and the Rural police had filed the chargesheet within the specified 90 days before V ACJ & JMFC, the jurisdictional court for that station.

The High Court observed that the accused was very much aware of the filling of the chargesheet against him as another accused in the same case had filed an application for regular bail from the Sessions Court, where the case was committed for trial after filling of the chargesheet.

The assistant public prosecutor and the investigating officer concerned were not vigilant in informing the jurisdictional courts about the transfer of FIR and filling of the chargesheet, the High Court observed. The investigating officer's request for transfer of the FIR to another court was received after filling of the chargesheet and the clerk in the court of I ACJ & JMFC had not timely put up the request in the case, the High Court noted.

18 rescued in raids on spa, massage centres in A.P.

The Hindu Bureau
VIJAYAWADA

Police raided massage centres and spas in the Vijayawada and rescued 18 victims, including a few from the neighbouring States.

Cases have been registered against three spas for allegedly running a prostitution racket.

Investigation officers seized contraceptives and other materials in the centres, said Deputy Commissioner of Police Vishal Gunni on Saturday.

PUBLIC NOTICE

Notice is hereby given to the Public that Original Rectification Deed dated 20.01.2005 registered as document No.26240/2004-05 of Book-I & CD.No.BASD129 in the office of the Sub-Registrar Bangalore in respect of **Site No.860,** measuring 1200 Sq.ft., Situated at **Hongasandra Village, Begur Hobli, Bangalore South Taluk,** Presently Comes under Bommanahalli CMC, has been lost. All the persons are hereby informed not to deal or carry out any transaction with anyone on the basis of the said Rectification Deed. If anyone has already carried out or being carried out kindly inform the undersigned in writing on the below mentioned address within **7 days** from this present.

Y. Sowmya Yadav, Advocate
Samvruddhi Legal, # 83, Ground Floor, 5th 'A' Cross, 21st Main, J.P. Nagar 2nd Phase, Bangalore-560078.

PUBLIC NOTICE

Public are informed that our client viz., **Mrs.Sayeeda Tabassum, Mr. Meherban Ali Khan & Mr. Imran Khan** intend to purchase Property bearing **Site No.81,** Khata No.138, present BDA Katha PID No. 6000042754, comprised in converted Sy.No.87/2 {Converted from agricultural to non agricultural residential purpose vide Order No. BDS.ALN.SR(SA) 216/2001-02 Dated 05-01-2002 issued by the Special Deputy Commissioner, Bangalore District, Bangalore}situated at **THANISANDRA Village,** K R Puram Hobli, Bangalore East Taluk (Erstwhile Bangalore South Taluk) Bangalore presently under the jurisdiction of BBMP, Measuring East to West:30 feet and North to South :40 feet, totally measuring about **1200 Sq.ft** and bounded on:-
East by : Private Property;
West by : Road;
North by : Site No. 82;
South by : Site No. 80;
From Present Owner Mr. P.V. PANEESH KUMAR S/o. Sri P.S. Venkatesh. Any persons having any claim or interest in or to the said property or any part thereof through sale, agreement, sale deed, exchange, mortgage, gift, trust, inheritance, bequest, possession, lease, lien, easement or otherwise is required to forward their claim to the said property, to the undersigned, along with relevant supporting documents thereof, within **10 (Ten) days** from this date. Erecting of Board and Paper publication is advisable. In the absence of any claims within the above said period, It shall be deemed that, there are no such claims or that if there are any claims and they have not been made, it shall be deemed to have been waived and a valid and binding conveyance will be executed in my client's favour without any further reference in this regard.

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GOVERNMENT OF KARNATAKA
ZILLA PANCHAYATH, KOPPAL
THE EXECUTIVE ENGINEER RURAL DRINKING WATER & SANITATION DIVISION, KOPPAL
NO.RWS/Dn/KPL/JJM/2022-23/996 Date:13.10.2022
E-PROCURMENT NOTIFICATION
Double Cover System

On Behalf of Governor of Karnataka, Executive Engineer, Rural Drinking Water Supply & Sanitation Division, Koppal Invites e-Tender for JJM MVS DBOT Work The eligible bidders are requested to submit the Bid in Double Cover System through e-procurement mode through portal http://eproc.karnataka.gov.in.
General Information:
1) Contractor should submit the Tender Bid Documents through Online Only.
2) All Documents Should be Scanned and Upload during the period of Applying Tender through Online Only.
3) EMD Amount Should be Submitted Through Online Only
4) Two Cover Tender Called.
If any More Information Contractor should Contact this office or wide email id:eerwsskpl@gmail.com in Office Hours and Tenders will be Download from **13/10/2022**
Tender Processing Fee: As Per E-Procurement
Tender Downloading Date :**20/10/2022 Time: 11:00 AM.** Tender receiving Date and Time: **31/10/2022 Time: 11:00 AM.** Technical Bid Opening Date and Time: **02/11/2022 Time:17:30 Hours**. Financial Bid Opening after approval of the technical bid from the Competent Authority **07/11/2022** or After Obtaining the Technical Bid Approval from the Competent Authority.
The Contractors should produce the Original Documents within 8 days from the open of the tender. If failed such Contractor candidature will not be considered.
Sd/-Executive Engineer
R.D.W & S .Division, Koppal
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BRUHAT BENGALURU MAHANAGARA PALIKE
Office of the Executive Engineer, Mahalakshmipuram Division, 12th Main, 11th Cross, West of Chord Road, BBMP, Bengaluru.
No: EE/MLP/TEND/E-PROC/13/2022-23 Date: 15-10-2022
SHORT TERM TENDER NOTIFICATION
(Through GOK e-Procurement Portal only)

Tenders on item rate basis are invited by the Executive Engineer, Mahalakshmipuram Division, BBMP for the works detailed below from the registered Contractors of BBMP or equivalent registration with CPWD / KPWD / Railways / MES or any State Government Organizations.
(Standard Bid Documents - KW-1 & KW-2)

Sl. No.	Name of the Work	Approx. Amount of Work (Rs. in Lakhs)	EMD Amount (in Rs.)
	OTHERS		
1	Repair and Renovation of Namma Clinic at Ward No. 51 Nagapura in Mahalakshmi Layout, Bengaluru. **(1st Call)**	**3.95**	**9875/-**
2	Repair and Renovation of Namma Clinic at Ward No. 53 Nandini Layout in Mahalakshmi Layout, Bengaluru.**(1st Call)**	**4.94**	**12350/-**
3	Repair and Renovation of Namma Clinic at Ward No. 50 Marappanapalya in Mahalakshmi Layout, Bengaluru. **(1st Call)**	**0.32**	**800/-**
	Reserved for SC (SCHEDULE CASTE)		
4	Repair and Renovation of Namma Clinic at Ward No. 58 Vrushabhavathinagara in Mahalakshmi Layout, Bengaluru. **(1st Call)**	**5.42**	**6775/-**
5	Repair and Renovation of Namma Clinic at Ward No. 54 Jaimaruthinagara in Mahalakshmi Layout, Bengaluru.**(1st Call)**	**4.06**	**5075/-**
	Reserved for ST (SCHEDULE CASTE)		
6	Repair and Renovation of Namma Clinic at Ward No. 57 Shakthiganapathinagar in Mahalakshmi Layout, Bengaluru. **(1st Call)**	**5.26**	**6575/-**
7	Repair and Renovation of Namma Clinic at Ward No. 56 Shankarmutt in Mahalakshmi Layout, Bengaluru.**(1st Call)**	**3.35**	**4190/-**
	Reserved for OBC (Other Back Word Community)		
8	Repair and Renovation of Namma Clinic at Ward No. 55 Puneeth Rajkumar Ward Mahalakshmi Layout, Bengaluru. **(1st Call)**	**3.17**	**3970/-**

Calendar of Events: 1) The tender document can be downloaded from the GOK e-Procurement Website: **https://eproc.karnataka.gov.in 2)** Last Date and Time for Receipt of Tenders: **29-10-2022 upto 16.00 Hrs. 3)** Date of Opening of Tender Document: **31-10-2022 at 11.30 Hrs.** Further details can be had from the above office.
Sd/- Executive Engineer, Mahalakshmipuram Division, BBMP.
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Office of the Executive Engineer, Project Divisoin, Mahadevapura Zone, K.R. Pura, Bengaluru - 560 036.
No.BBMP/EE(P)/MZ/PR/02/2022-23 Date: 15.10.2022
E-AUCTION NOTIFICATION
(Through GOK e-Procurement Portal only)

The Executive Engineer, Mahadevapura Zone invites tenders from eligible Tenderers through e-procurement portal **https://eproc.karnataka.gov.in** for Collection of Floor Tariff Fee for Traders and Farmers at K.R. Pura Market Premises for a period of one year. **Minimum bid Amount per month : Rs. 2.10 Lakhs.**
1) Date of Opening of e-Auction : **17.10.2022 at 11.00 a.m.** 2) Last date for participation in e-Auction : **21.10.2022 upto 4.00 p.m.** 3) Last date for e-Auction : **27.10.2022 upto 6.00 p.m.** The terms & conditions and further details can be had from the K.R. Puram Revenue Section during office hours.
Sd/- Executive Engineer (Project) Mahadevapura Zone.

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Office of the Executive Engineer, Chamarajapet Division, BBMP Anganavadi Centre, 2nd Main, T.R. Mill Road,, Bengaluru- 560 018.
No: EE/CMP/TEND/E-Proc/15/2022-23 Date: 14.10.2022
SHORT TERM TENDER NOTIFICATION
(Through e-Procurement Portal only)

The Executive Engineer, Chamarajapet Division, invites tenders from eligible tenderers for the works detailed in the table below.

Sl. No.	Name of the work	Approx. value of work (Rs. in Lakhs)	EMD Amount (in Rs.)
	RESERVED FOR OTHERS		
1	Repair and renovation of Namma Clinic at Ward No. 166, Cheluvadipalya, Bengaluru.	6.00	15,000/-
2	Repair and renovation of Namma Clinic at Ward No. 167 (137), Ground Floor, 2nd Cross, Jagajeevanaramanagar North, Bengaluru.	6.00	15,000/-
3	Repair and renovation of Namma Clinic at Ward No. 170, Government Public Library (First Floor), 5th Cross, 2nd Main, Azadnagar, Bengaluru.	6.00	15,000/-
	RESERVED FOR (SC) SCHEDULED CASTE		
4	Repair and renovation of Namma Clinic at Ward No. 168(135) Aayina Trust Health Care and Diagnostic Centre, Ground Floor, 3rd Cross (West), Behind Sujatha Talkies, Padarayanapura, Bengaluru.	3.00	3,750/-
5	Repair and renovation of Namma Clinic at Ward No. 169, Devraj Urs Nagar, Bengaluru.	6.00	7,500/-
	RESERVED FOR (ST) SCHEDULED TRIBES		
6	Repair and renovation of Namma Clinic at Ward No. 165 (140), Tippu Diagnostic and Day Care Centre, 1st Main Road, Tippunagar, Near Abdul Rehman Masjid, Chamarajpet, Bengaluru.	3.00	3,750/-

(1) Tender documents may be downloaded from GOK e-Procurement portal **https://eproc. karnataka.gov.in** from **18.10.2022 onwards**. **(2)** Last date & time of receipt of tenders: **27.10.2022 upto 4.00 p.m. (3)** Opening of tender document : **29.10.2022 at 11.30 a.m.** Further details may be obtained from the above office during office hours & also from website: **https://eproc.karnataka. gov.in** or contact e-procurement helpdesk at 080-22485867/ 22485927.
Sd/- Executive Engineer, Chamarajapet Division.

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'Camp of death' is now a life-saver

The villagers underwent another nightmarish phase less than a decade later when Valley-Based Insurgent Groups (VBIGs) catering to the aspirations of the non-tribal Meitei people concentrated in the Imphal Valley, declared Sajik Tampak a "liberated zone". The VBIGs, mainly the United National Liberation Front, the People's Liberation Army (PLA), the People's Revolutionary Party of Kangleipak (PREPAK) and the Kangleipak Communist Party, had captured the area after the security posts in place since the Naga-Kuki clashes of the 1990s were removed in 2003.

An elderly resident of Thingsan, one of several hamlets in the Sajik Tampak area, recalled how the VBIGs often used locals as human shields during encounters with the Armed Forces. "The Assam Rifles medical unit used to be the headquarters of one of the VBIGs from where they issued extortion notices and sentenced people to death," he said. "We have been living peacefully since the Assam Rifles arrived in 2004. It has been the only government agency not only operating in the area but also catering to our basic needs," Kakai Haokip, a community leader said. As a child, he used to "help" the extremists carry AK-47 assault rifles during "patrol duty".

The Assam Rifles set-up also ensured fast medical relief for the villagers. "The cases usually encountered by the unit hospital are snake bite, polytrauma and seasonal illnesses," Captain Balot said. The feeling of security was what prompted Tracy Haokip to set up her school adjacent to the medical unit. "We keep hearing that the battalions and smaller units would be withdrawn if the Armed Forces (Special Powers) Act (AFSPA) is lifted from more areas of Manipur. The Act is not desirable, but we want the Government of India to let the Assam Rifles stay here for our sake," she said. The AFSPA was removed from areas under 15 police stations in six districts of Manipur on April 1. Chandel is not among these districts.

Armed Forces officers say the Sajik Tampak area could relapse into the "liberated zone" phase if it ceases to have a military or paramilitary presence. The strategic location of the place – hilly with dense jungles and poor mobile phone connectivity – is the primary reason.

"There are 50 small villages in the area of responsibility of the Sajik Tampak battalion. The cooperation of the villagers is crucial for the company operation bases (COBs) along the India-Myanmar border in different directions," an Assam Rifles officer of Colonel rank said.

SC suspends HC order discharging Saibaba

Mr. Basant suggested that the State could post guards outside Mr. Saibaba's house, cut the telephone lines. "My Lords, I am making a humanitarian request on medical grounds. I am willing to abide by any condition... He does not have any criminal antecedents, not even a prosecution. Besides being 90% disabled, he has multiple other ailments," he pleaded to the court.

"Isolation in prison is the only condition for UAPA offenders," Mr. Mehta said flatly.

Mr. Saibaba, a former professor at Delhi University, has been in custody for over eight years since his arrest in May 2014.

On Friday, the High Court set aside the lower court judgment and ordered the release of Mr. Saibaba and other accused persons.

But the relief from the High Court proved short-lived for the disabled man. Maharashtra had rushed to the Supreme Court within hours of the High Court order on Friday.

On Saturday, the Bench found that the case was a "fit" one to suspend the High Court's order of discharge. Mr. Mehta argued that the offences against Mr. Saibaba and others ordered to be released were serious and grave.

The Bench framed questions to examine whether the High Court was justified in discharging the accused on the grounds of irregular or lack of sanction when the trial court had already convicted them on the merits of the case. The top court listed the State's appeal for final disposal on December 8.

In Mokama, a proxy battle as wives of two strongmen face off in byelection

Neelam Devi and Sonam Devi are in the fray in the Assembly bypoll, necessitated by Anant Singh's disqualification as MLA after being convicted in an arms case; it is the first electoral contest after Nitish Kumar ditched the BJP and tied up with the RJD to form the *mahagatbandhan* government

SPECIAL

Amarnath Tewary
MOKAMA

A group of elderly men, seated under the canopy of a roadside stall opposite the Mokama municipality office on Station Road, are engaged in an animated conversation. As the discussion veers around to the upcoming Assembly byelection, Jagdish Prasad, Ram Dhani Singh and Bhuvneshwar Prasad are emphatic in their assessment. "In Mokama constituency, no party exists. Here, only personalities like Anant Singh and Lalan Singh exist," they say in unison.

Visitors to the constituency can't help but notice the names of two women on posters pasted on vehicles whizzing past – Neelam Devi and Sonam Devi. Wives of Anant Singh and Lalan Singh, respectively, they are the principal combatants in the November 3 bypoll and proxies for their husbands, the *bahubali*s (strongmen) of the area.

Anant Singh, or the *chote sarkar* (next generation of authority), is a four-time MLA from the seat. Locals regard Nalini Ranjan Singh, alias Lalan Singh, as the only person with the muscle power to challenge him. "*Loha hi lohe ko kat ta hai* (only iron can cut iron)" is the common refrain over the BJP fielding Mr. Lalan Singh's wife here.

The bypoll, necessitated by Anant Singh's disqualification as MLA following his conviction in an arms recovery case, assumes heightened significance as the first electoral contest in Bihar after the realignment of political forces in August when Chief Minister Nitish Kumar's Janata Dal (United) broke ties with the BJP and enlisted the Rashtriya Janata Dal's (RJD) support to stay in government.

Tough contest: Neelam Devi of the RJD and Sonam Devi of the BJP campaigning for the Assembly byelection in Mokama. AMARNATH TEWARY & SPECIAL ARRANGEMENT

On October 14, hundreds of SUVs were seen plying the 26-km stretch from Mokama to Barh, the subdivisional headquarters, as both candidates set out to file their nomination papers. A heavily garlanded Ms. Neelam Devi went first, riding an open vehicle along with RJD Ministers and leaders, with hundreds of SUVs following her in a serpentine caravan.

"My husband is not a *bahubali*, he is *janbali* (strong with people's support)," she said. The men following in SUVs shouted: "*Sab anantmay hai, is baar ek lakh par* [everything is enveloped with Anant (Singh); this time, the victory margin will be over one lakh]."

In the 2020 Assembly poll, Anant Singh wrested the seat from JD(U) candidate Rajeev Lochan Narayan Singh by nearly 36,000 votes. He had won twice as a JD(U) candidate and once as an Independent earlier.

Ms. Neelam Devi has the support of seven parties. Anant Singh doesn't exactly have a cosy equation with the Chief Minister and JD(U) national president Lalan Singh but their faces, along with those of RJD leader and Deputy Chief Minister Tejashwi Yadav, make it to his wife's posters due to the recent alliance.

The Mokama constituency is dominated by upper caste Bhumihars, the community to which both Anant Singh and Lalan Singh belong. It also has a sizeable number of voters from the Yadav and Other Backward Classes (Koeri, Kurmi and Dhanuk) and Extremely Backward Classes. Brahmins, Kayasth and Rajput voters are fewer in number, as are Muslims.

"Social equation is one thing but the battle of Mokama is basically a fight between the two *bahubali* personalities," says Birendra Kumar, retired journalist and resident of the Sakarwar Tola area of Mokama, echoing the elders at the roadside stall. "Anant Singh has more acceptability among the masses because of his 'Robin Hood' image."

In Ms. Sonam Devi, the BJP has put up a candidate from Mokama for the first time since 1992. The fact that the party didn't pick a grassroots worker rankles local BJP leaders Sanjiv Kumar and Raushan Bhardwaj somewhat, but they reason that a non-*bahubali* would stand no chance. That would have made it "a battle between a *bagh* (tiger) and a *bakri* (goat)", they say.

PM bats for use of regional languages in legal system to bring ease of justice

The Hindu Bureau
NEW DELHI

People's faith in constitutional institutions gets strengthened when justice is seen to be delivered, Prime Minister Narendra Modi said on Saturday even as he cited the delay in getting justice as one of the major challenges faced by the people of the country.

Mr. Modi stressed that new laws should be written in a clear manner and in regional languages to bring "ease of justice", so that even the poor can easily understand them and legal language doesn't become a barrier for citizens.

He also urged the State governments to adopt a humane approach towards undertrial prisoners.

The Prime Minister made these remarks while inaugurating the All India Conference of Law Ministers and Law Secretaries' by videoconference.

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> Prime Minister

Obsolete laws scrapped

The two-day conference is being held at Kevadia in Gujarat and is being attended by Union Law Minister Kiren Rijiju, among others.

Delivering the inaugural address, Mr. Modi said people should neither feel the absence of government nor its pressure. Mr. Modi said his government, in the past eight years, had scrapped more than 1,500 obsolete and irrelevant laws that were a relic of the British rule and reduced as many as 32,000 compliances for the sake of "innovation and ease of living".

"When justice is seen to be delivered, then the faith of the countrymen in the constitutional institutions is strengthened. And when justice is delivered, the confidence of the common man goes up," he said. Laying stress on ensuring ease of justice, he said, "Delay in getting justice is one of the major challenges being faced by the people of our country. But our judiciary is seriously working towards resolving this issue. In this *Amrit Kaal*, we will have to work together to tackle this."

Mr. Modi said villages had been resorting to alternative dispute resolution mechanism for a long time and it can be adopted at the State level as well.

Speaking about the importance of the use of regional languages in the legal system, he said, "Obscurity of law creates complexity. If law is comprehensible to the common man, it will have a different impact."

5 govt. staffers sacked for 'anti-national activities' in J&K

The Hindu Bureau
SRINAGAR

The Jammu and Kashmir administration on Saturday ordered the dismissal of five employees under Article 311 for alleged involvement in anti-national activities.

The administration "has adopted a zero-tolerance policy towards anti-national elements who have been taking refuge as being associated with the government machinery. Prior to these five dismissals, 39 government officials have been dismissed, invoking provisions of Article 311 of Constitution of India," a spokesman said.

Under Article 311, no trial or investigation is required by the department concerned, except for a report filed by the security agencies, to terminate the services of employees.

Terror activities

The spokesman said the activities of the five employees had come to the adverse notice of law enforcement and intelligence agencies as they had been found involved in activities prejudicial to the interests of the security of the state.

Those who have been dismissed from service are Tanveer Saleem Dar, a constable in the Auxiliary Wing of the J&K Police; Syed Iftikhar Andrabi, a village-level worker in the Rural Development Department; Irshad Ahmad Khan, orderly-cum-chowkidar in the Jal Shakti Department, Baramulla; Afaq Ahmad Wani, manager, Central Cooperative Bank Ltd.; and Abdul Momin Peer, assistant lineman in the Public Health Engineering Department, Handawra.

"Dar has been found involved in a number of terror activities and an active courier of the militant outfits. Andrabi has worked as OGW (overground worker) for the Lashkar-e-Taiba and Hizbul Mujahideen. Wani has been part of a narco-terror module," the spokesman said.

Khan "has been found involved in facilitating terrorists to move out of India", the spokesman said, adding that Peer was involved in narco-terror financing.

J&K situation deteriorating fast, Gupkar alliance says

Peerzada Ashiq
SRINAGAR

The People's Alliance for Gupkar Declaration (PAGD), an amalgam of political parties in J&K, on Saturday met in Srinagar and expressed concern over the "fast deteriorating situation in Jammu and Kashmir".

PAGD president Farooq Abdullah chaired the meeting at his residence, which was also attended by Peoples Democratic Party president Mehbooba Mufti.

"The alliance leaders expressed serious concern over the fast- deteriorating situation in Kashmir as well as in Jammu," PAGD spokesman and CPI(M) leader M.Y. Tarigami said.

"Police stations and jails are being filled with innocent people. Parents could be seen waiting outside police stations everywhere. Outside jails have now no capacity given the number of people of Kashmir lodged there," Mr. Tarigami said. The alliance asked political parties "to wake up and raise a united voice against the onslaught of New Delhi on people here."

Militants kill Kashmiri Pandit in Shopian

The Hindu Bureau
SRINAGAR

A Kashmiri Pandit and orchard owner was shot dead by militants in south Kashmir's Shopian on Saturday.

With this, at least six members of the minority community have been killed in targeted attacks by militants this year.

The victim, Puran Krishan Bhat, was on his way to an orchard in Chowdari Gund when he was fired upon.

The Kashmir Freedom Fighter (KFF) group has claimed responsibility for the attack.

"We have already warned of attacks on Pandits and non-locals working on the Modi-led agenda of settler colonialism," the KFF said in a purported claim made online. It has warned of more attacks.

"Initial investigation suggested that one militant was involved in the act. The others may be nearby. A guard was monitoring the cluster (of minority community) at the time of attack. If any security lapse is found on part of the security guards and any official in charge of the area, definitely action will be taken," Deputy Inspector General of Police (DIG), central Kashmir, Sujit Kumar, said.

'Rule of law is defence against oppressive systems like casteism'

Krishnadas Rajagopal
NEW DELHI

Supreme Court judge Justice D.Y. Chandrachud said the aspirational goal of rule of law depends not merely on the Constitution or legislation but largely on the political culture and habits of citizens, especially young legal professionals.

"We live in a society governed by rule of law. Rule of law, if understood and implemented properly, is a defence against oppressive structures such as patriarchy, casteism, and ableism. It is an aspirational goal, which is beyond you and me as individuals, but towards which all of us have our parts to play," Justice Chandrachud, who has been nominated as the next Chief Justice of India, said on Saturday. He was addressing the convocation of the National Law University here.

He paid homage to the first woman Supreme Court judge, Justice M. Fathima Beevi. He recounted her story as that of a girl born in a small town in Kerala who broke many a glass ceiling to be appointed as Supreme Court judge.

'Modi govt. achieved feats that looked unachievable'

The Hindu Bureau
CHANDIGARH

Union Home Minister Amit Shah on Saturday said the BJP government led by Prime Minister Narendra Modi had accomplished feats that earlier looked unachievable. "The Modi government built the Ram temple. The Kashi Vishwanath temple was demolished and rebuilt. Why do Congress members remain silent on Article 370? Because it is the gift of Jawaharlal Nehru which Modi uprooted," he said at a rally in Himachal Pradesh.

At Prayagraj meet, RSS to brainstorm on population control, minority outreach

The Hindu Bureau
NEW DELHI

The Rashtriya Swayamsevak Sangh (RSS) will hold brainstorming sessions on population control, women empowerment, minority outreach and the use of mother tongue in education, among other issues, during its four-day national executive meeting which begins in Prayagraj on Sunday

The Akhil Bharatiya Karyakari Mandal Baithak (ABKMB) will be headed by RSS chief Mohan Bhagwat and general secretary Dattatreya Hosabale.

Burning issues

"The members will brainstorm on all the burning issues of society. Special emphasis will be laid on the issues that *sarsanghachalak* (RSS Chief) had spoken about during his annual speech on the occasion of Vijayadasami," RSS publicity in-charge Sunil Ambekar said.

Mr. Bhagwat, on Vijayadasami, spoke at length about population control, women empowerment, social harmony, promotion of education in mother tongue.

The four-day meeting will also take stock of the expansion of organisational work and the Sangh Shiksha Varg, Mr. Ambekar said.

With the RSS celebrating its centenary in 2025, he said, the meet would discuss plans to expand the number of its *shakhas* across the country.

He said currently there were 55,000 *shakhas* and the RSS aimed to increase it to a lakh by March 2024.

Rural women warming up for Chhattisgarhiya Olympics

SPECIAL

Shubhomoy Sikdar
DHAMTARI/RAIPUR

Fifty-year-old Jayanti Bai Dhruv – a resident of Banbagaud village in Chhattisgarh's Dhamtari, nearly 95 km from Raipur – takes a moment to catch her breath. Minutes ago, she had led her team to a victory in a village-level kho-kho match, qualifying them for the next round of the inaugural Chhattisgarhiya Olympics. Though confident of clearing the remaining five rounds to become a State-level champion, she feels some kind of victory has already been achieved.

"It's a great feeling for my teammates and myself to be playing sports after years, or even decades. That we can compete in something physically so demanding is also an encouraging sign, but more importantly, it's a lot of fun," says the grandmother of one with a triumphant smile on her face. Her teammates, and other women surrounding her, nod in agreement.

Children spinning tops, schoolgirls in uniform celebrating the early suspension of classes, young mothers with babies and the odd elderly man smoking a *beedi* in a corner, there is a motley crowd of onlookers. Neither the mugginess nor the occasional drizzle has dampened the spirit of these women, or the audience cheering them.

In the neighbouring Rudri village, Jageshwari Sahu (42), a housewife, is keenly observing two boys' team competing in pitthool (seven stones), another game on the list of 14 categories of traditional sports the Stategovernment says it is trying to revive through the Olympics.

Sporting spirit: A kho-kho match in progress. SPECIAL ARRANGEMENT

Some of the rules applied here are not how she remembers playing pitthool in her maternal home in Durg many years ago or when she occasionally tries her hand at it in her neighbourhood. That, however, is not a deterrent and "it's the excitement that matters for women like us who hardly play outdoor sports", she says. Lalita Bai Sahu, who is waiting at the registration counter nearby to submit names for race and tug of war, points out that women gathering to take part in the sporting events in Rudri are outnumbering the men. A 3:1 ratio can be seen in Banbagod as well. Sunil Sinha, 36, a sports teacher, says it has been the case in most villages he has covered so far.

What women want

It is difficult to establish a trend based on the visit of two villages but from across Chhattisgarh, there are numerous videos of women, even the elderly ones, playing sports like kabaddi, kho-kho, billas, fugdi, going viral on social media. One such video, showing women playing kabaddi in saree in Ratawa village, also in Dhamtari, went viral, leaving netizens in awe.

On why women are warming to the tournament, Banbagaud Deputy Sarpanch Chan Singh Sahu says that usually when sporting events at the community or village level are organised in his village or even the neighbouring ones, those include games such as *gilli-danda* or tennis or ball cricket that are still male bastions.

Launching the games on October 6, Chhattisgarh Chief Minister Bhupesh Baghel had said, "In rural areas, children, the elderly, and youth all engage in these games for entertainment and to keep themselves fit."

"The plains of Chhattisgarh are paddy-growing regions. This is labour-intensive farming, so women are a part of the workforce and are hence used to hard work. Most of the women stay away from addiction-that keeps them relatively fitter," says Dhamtari Collector Padum Singh Elma.

The timing of the games is also conducive because of the festive mood setting in ahead of Deepavali. It also helps that this is the time when crops are ready, but the harvesting hasn't begun. So, they have time to engage in these activities. However, for the subsequent rounds when they may have to travel, things may change.

K. Swati Lakshmi, the cluster president for one of the self-help groups (SHGs) in Rudri, says that working with these SHGs have also helped the women in shedding inhibitions. "These women are comfortable with the public sphere, even raising voices against alcoholism. . It's a great platform for these women to relive their childhood and preserve their tradition for the future while getting fitter," she says.

Mr. Sahu is also the president of the Rajiv Yuva Mitan Club that is assisting the administration in organising the games. Set to continue till January 6, the games are divided into three categories based on age requirement – up to 18 years, 18-40 years, and above 40 years.

Centre considering Sri Lanka's proposal to translocate gaurs

Suhasini Haidar
Jacob Koshy
NEW DELHI

An Indian gaur

Close on the heels of the project that translocated cheetahs from Namibia, the Indian government is considering a proposal from Colombo to export a number of gaurs, or Indian bisons, to Sri Lanka to revive the population of *gavaras* that have been extinct in the island since the end of the 17th century.

If the project is cleared, it would be the first such agreement between India and Sri Lanka, and part of a global trend of "wildlife or zoological diplomacy", say experts.

Sources said the Ministry of External Affairs (MEA), which received the request in August, has now forwarded it to the Ministry of Environment and Forests (MoEF), "seeking comments" on the proposal to transport at least six specimens, including a bull and three to five cows. According to the proposal, the Sri Lankan Department of Zoological Gardens would then carry out "captive breeding a herd of about a dozen specimens over a five-year period before trial reintroduction to the wild could take place in accordance with [internationally mandated] guidelines for reintroductions".

S.P. Yadav, Director, National Tiger Conservation Authority, said the proposal was being studied. "We'll have to evaluate if the conditions for translocation are right, such that the animal can sustainably thrive over there," he told *The Hindu*, estimating the evaluation could take a few months.

The suggestion for the proposal came from Sri Lankan conservationist Rohan Pethiyagoda, who was awarded the Linnean medal 2022 (U.K.-based equivalent of the Nobel prize for zoology) for his work on restoring fresh water and forest biodiversity. "As a scientific and cultural collaboration between our two countries, I felt this could be an immensely valuable initiative," said Sri Lankan High Commissioner to India Milinda Moragoda who handed over the preliminary request.

"India is without a doubt Sri Lanka's closest friend, supporter and trading partner. We have a shared history, shared cultural identity, and shared gene," he added.

Experts say that while "zoological diplomacy" had been practised worldwide, they draw a distinction between "gifts or loans" of animals in captivity to translocation and reintroduction of a species, particularly between neighbouring countries with similar eco-systems.

"Much depends on whether the conditions that caused the extinction have been removed but reintroduction has frequently been taken up between countries where the range is contiguous," explained Mahesh Rangaran, Professor of Environmental Studies at Ashoka University

U.S.-India Trade Policy Forum set for Nov. 8, modest outcomes likely

Commerce Minister Piyush Goyal will lead the Indian delegation to Washington next month with the U.S. Trade Representative Katherine Tai heading the American delegation

Sriram Lakshman
WASHINGTON DC

The U.S.-India Trade Policy Forum (TPF) has been scheduled for November 8 in Washington DC, *The Hindu* has confirmed. U.S. trade officials are arriving in New Delhi next week to finalise issues for discussion, an Indian government official told *The Hindu*.

A few weeks ahead of this meeting, it appears that that the gains are most likely going to be modest and incremental in the immediate future, given the structural differences in both economies and political considerations in India and the U.S. – both of which have general elections in 2024.

The 12th TPF was held in New Delhi in November 2021, after a hiatus of four years, delivering some gains over the past twelve months, such as the resumption of sales of Indian mangoes and pomegranate arils to the U.S. following the pandemic, and the appearance of U.S. cherries on the Indian market.

Officials from the Office of the U.S. Trade Representative (USTR), Christopher Wilson and Brendan Lynch, were in New Delhi in August - but the visit was not formally billed an 'intercessional'.

Commerce Minister Piyush Goyal will lead the Indian delegation to Washington next month with the USTR, Katherine Tai, leading the American delegation. On the Indian side,

Trade ties: Piyush Goyal and U.S. Trade Representative Katherine Tai during a bilateral meeting in Los Angeles in September. PTI

the requests are concentrated in the services sector, while for the U.S. side goods market access and the policy environment - such as data laws and now the imminent changes to India's competition law- are of interest.

"A mismatch between bilateral ambition and sensitivity has been an issue at times. The U.S.'s ambitions are commensurate with what you would expect for a highly developed economy," former Commerce Secretary Anup Wadhawan, who retired in 2021, told *The Hindu* via phone on Saturday.

He was referring to the U.S. interest in negotiating on agricultural and non-agricultural market access, digital trade, competition and so forth.

"We are a developing economy and have a number of sensitivities," he added, pointing to the need, for instance, to protect agriculture, given the large low-income rural population that is dependent on it. "These needs need to be respected and factored in," he said.

For India, many of the historical requests on services are met with responses from USTR that point to other wings of U.S. government, such as the Congress, or to other agencies and departments, having ownership of the issue.

For the U.S. side, offering one to one market access for goods has been difficult.

"India has great access to the U.S. market," a U.S. Government (USG) official told *The Hindu*, pointing to the lower tariffs in the US market.

Going into this year's TPF , they are looking at "a number of products" in the agricultural space as "win wins".

Among these, for the Americans, is the resolution of exports of alfalfa hay to India - an issue that is pending from last year's TPF, the official said. The U.S. is also keen to supplement India's ethanol and DDGS (an animal feed product) production, with its supplies, in light of India's blending goals under the 2022 National Biofuels Policy.

India's requests have included high skilled worker visa numbers, fees, and recently, visa processing times; social security portability across countries; and 232 tariffs (i.e., tariffs imposed during the Trump administration on steel and aluminium) ; the Generalized System of Preferences (GSP), a preferential market access program offered by the U.S. to some developing countries.

For now, GSP had been of interest in previous rounds of talks. Former U.S. President Donald Trump , whose approach to trade was largely guided by differentials in overall trade balance, had taken India out of the program in June 2019.

However, New Delhi has recently signalled that the issue is no longer of significant interest. In Los Angeles last month for a ministerial meeting on the Indo Pacific Economic Forum (IPEF), a Biden administration initiative for the region, Mr Goyal had said that none of India's exports were affected by the loss of GSP. He also said that the issue had been discussed in recent times.

"GoI continues to raise GSP, so it is of interest," the U.S. official said.

For now GSP is off the table because the program has itself expired for all countries and has to be reauthorised by the U.S. Congress.

India seeks more data on Gambian deaths

Bindu Shajan Perappadan
NEW DELHI

India has sought more information from the World Health Organization on the deaths in the Gambia linked to contaminated cough syrups made by Maiden Pharma in India.

The clinical features and the treatment received by children as shared by the World Health Organisation so far are inadequate to determine the aetiology, V.G. Somani, Drugs Controller General of India said in his letter to the World Health Organisation on Friday.

He said that the Health Ministry had constituted a committee of technical experts who had held a meeting. The team has sought details of initial illness; signs and symptoms; duration of anuria in the cases; results of laboratory investigations conducted, including various markers and parameters; specific investigations for ethylene glycol (EG) and diethylene glycol (DEG) on clinical samples of the patients and treatment received before and after hospitalisation at the tertiary hospital in the Gambia.

India has also asked for data on the stool samples collected and analysed, the number of children with a similar clinical presentation to acute kidney injury from whom the biological samples were collected and details of the test method adopted.

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1	P3225025	Spares for Long Forging Machine. (4 Items).	16/11/2022 14:00 Hrs.

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Govt. rejects global hunger index study, calls it attempt to tarnish India's image

Jagriti Chandra
NEW DELHI

The Centre has yet again rejected the Global Hunger Index (GHI) 2022 which ranks India 107 among 121 countries and has called it "an erroneous measure of hunger" and an attempt to "taint" India's image. It wrongly claims that the ranks are based on an opinion poll.

The report found that India's GHI score of 29.1 on a scale of 0 to 100, with zero representing no hunger, was worse than the score of 28.2 in 2014. India's rank was also below all neighbouring countries, barring war-ravaged Afghanistan. China, in contrast, was among the countries collectively ranked among 1 and 17 for least hunger. "Three out of the four indicators used for calculation of the index are related to health of Children and cannot be representative of the entire population," said a statement from the Ministry of Women and Child Development. This is the second year in a row the government has rejected the GHI rankings.

It adds that that the fourth indicator, estimate of Proportion of Undernourished (PoU), population is based on an opinion poll conducted on a sample size of 3000 on "Food Insecurity Experience Scale (FIES)" Survey Module of Food and Agriculture Organisation.

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1.	Proposed pipeline laying work for water supply from IDCO main supply line to ITC water storage tank at Khurdha IE.	₹ 18.19 lakh	04 (Four) Calendar Months

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Further details can be seen from the e-Procurement Portal www.tendersodisha.gov.in . Corrigendum or addendum if any will not be published in news papers and can only be seen in the e-procurement portal **www.tenderodisha.gov.in** as well as IDCO website **www.idco.in.**

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INBRIEF

'India's subsidies must not be viewed unidimensionally'

Finance Minister Nirmala Sitharaman has urged the World Bank to avoid a "unidimensional" view of the subsidies provided by the Indian government and asserted that it is important to differentiate between "distortive subsidies" and "targeted support" to the vulnerable households. Speaking at an intervention of the World Bank Development Committee's meeting on Friday, Ms. Sitharaman said that subsidies have made a definitive contribution in improving India's performance on several key parameters of Sustainable Development Goals (SDG). PTI

Uddhav faction to field two candidates for Andheri bypoll

Anticipating the rejection of nomination papers filed by Uddhav Thackeray-led Shiv Sena faction's Rutuja Latke for the Andheri (East) Assembly by-election, the party's Brihanmumbai Municipal Corporation (BMC) councillor Sandeep Raju Naik too have filed election papers to meet any eventuality. "We are afraid of any mischief played by the other group (Eknath Shinde-BJP) as they are now running the government. So, we didn't want to take any chance and fielded two candidates," Pramod Sawant, a Uddhav faction leader, said.

ISRO's LVM3 to launch 36 OneWeb satellites on Oct. 23

ISRO's heaviest rocket LVM3 will launch British start-up OneWeb's 36 broadband satellites from the spaceport in Andhra Pradesh's Sriharikota on October 23, marking the launcher's entry into the global commercial launch service market. LVM3 was earlier called GSLV Mk III. The launch of 'LVM3 - M2/OneWeb India-1 Mission' is scheduled at 0007 hours IST on October 23 (midnight of October 22), the Bengaluru-headquartered Indian Space Research Organisation (ISRO) said on Friday. PTI

Economist Deepak Nayyar appointed as Kluge Chair

Deepak Nayyar, an Emeritus Professor of Economics at the Jawaharlal Nehru University, has been appointed as Kluge Chair in Countries and Cultures of the South by Washington-based Library of Congress. "The John W Kluge Center at the Library of Congress is pleased to announce the appointment of Deepak Nayyar as Kluge Chair in Countries and Cultures of the South," according to a statement from the Library of Congress.

T.N. and U.P. have highest number of UG medical colleges in the country

Health Ministry data shows the States account for 11.4% and 10.9% of the total number of medical colleges respectively; number of UG medical seats in India increased by 121% in the last decade

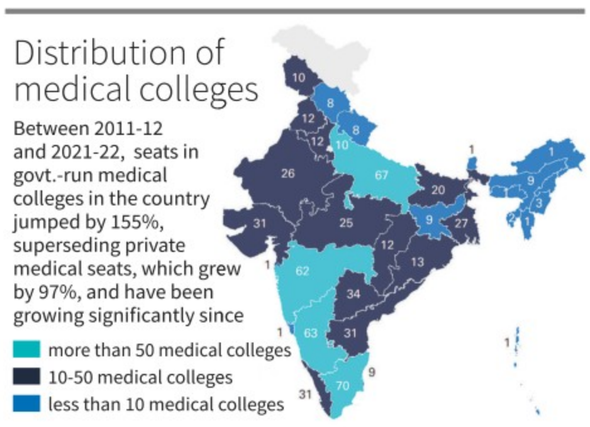
Bindu Shajan Perappadan
NEW DELHI

The average annual growth of medical colleges in India from 2011-12 to 2021-22 stands at 5.9% – the highest in the last five decades, shows data from the Health Ministry. According to the data, Tamil Nadu and Uttar Pradesh (in 2021-22) have the highest share of both public and private undergraduate (UG) medical colleges followed by Karnataka and Maharashtra.

Between 2011-12 and 2021-22, the number of government MBBS seats in the country jumped by 155%, superseding private medical seats which grew by 97%. The data also indicates that the U.S., U.K., Australia, Canada and Germany remained the top five countries with the highest number of Indian origin doctors.

"The number of medical seats at UG level increased from 41,569 in 2011-12 to 91,927 in 2021-22, which is a 121% increase," noted an analysis report on the data by KPMG for the Federation of Indian Chambers of Commerce & Industry (FICCI), which was released recently.

It added that in the last decade, government medical colleges had more than doubled from 154 to 321 and private colleges grew by 61% from 181 in 2011-12 to 291 in 2021-22.


Distribution of medical colleges
Between 2011-12 and 2021-22, seats in govt.-run medical colleges in the country jumped by 155%, superseding private medical seats, which grew by 97%, and have been growing significantly since
more than 50 medical colleges
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less than 10 medical colleges

In 2021-22, Tamil Nadu (11.4%) and Uttar Pradesh (10.9%) had the highest share of both public and private UG medical colleges followed by Karnataka (10.3%) and Maharashtra (10.1%).

In terms of addition of private MBBS seats between 2017-22 – the maximum increase was in Tamil Nadu (4,110 seats), Karnataka (3,004 seats), Maharashtra (2,775 seats), Gujarat (2,170 seats), Telangana (1,900 seats) and Bihar (1,525 seats).

The report further pointed to the fact that despite the government sector being able to provide education for more than 60% of doctors, 50% of nurses/midwives were employed in the private sector, with public facilities in different States reporting high level of vacancies against the sanctioned posts.

While the rural population was about 66% of India's total health workforce, only 33% was available in rural areas.

The country also witnessed a 74% growth in postgraduate (PG) seats and 81% growth of Diplomate of the National Board (DNB) seats between 2017-22, across government and private medical colleges.

The data analysis further states that the disparity in the availability of doctors across various States would grow if remedial measures were not put in place.

Centre retorts to *WSJ* ad, calls it an attack on Indian sovereignty

Senior adviser raises queries on ad calling for sanctions against FM, ED chief, SC judges in Devas case

Suhasini Haidar
NEW DELHI

The Union government reacted strongly on Saturday to an advertisement in U.S. newspaper *Wall Street Journal* by a U.S. group calling for sanctions against Finance Minister Nirmala Sitharaman, Supreme court judges and Enforcement Directorate and other officials in the Antrix-Devas case, calling it an "attack on Indian sovereignty".

The advertisement, which appeared in the newspaper on October 13, appeared to have been timed with Ms. Sitharaman's visit to Washington, in an attempt to draw attention to the case on behalf of Devas co-founder, U.S. citizen Ramachandra Vishwanathan. Mr. Vishwanathan has, along with NGO "Frontiers of Freedom", appealed to the U.S. State Department to apply "Magnitsky Act" sanctions on the named eleven Indian government officials for what he called a faulty investigation, an "unfair" trial and the government moves to declare him a criminal and attach his property which he said amounted to "depriving" him of his "liberty and security".

In Delhi, a senior government adviser called it a "shockingly vile" advertisement that had targeted India and its government. "This is not a campaign against [the] Modi Government alone. It's a campaign against [the] judiciary. It's a campaign against India's sovereignty," said Kanchan Gupta, Senior Adviser, Ministry of Information & Broadcasting, in a set of tweets where he also criticised the *Wall Street Journal* for allowing the "shameful weaponisation of American media by fraudsters".

In August this year, the Delhi High Court set aside a $1.3 billion arbitration verdict in favour of Devas Multimedia. The government sought Mr. Vishwanathan's arrest on charges of corruption, froze Devas accounts in Mauritius and requested an Interpol red corner notice to have him extradited from the U.S.

ED attaches assets worth ₹1,317 crore of private entity

The Hindu Bureau
NEW DELHI

The Enforcement Directorate has attached properties worth ₹1,317.30 crore belonging to IREO Private Limited, its managing director and vice-president Lalit Goyal, associated entities, and other key managerial persons.

The attached assets include land, commercial spaces, plots, residential houses, and bank accounts. The case is based on the 30 First Information Reports registered at various police stations across Gurugram, Panchkula, Ludhiana, Delhi, and other places against IREO and others. According to ED, the accused duped the buyers by promising them to deliver flats, plots, and commercial spaces. However, they neither delivered the projects nor did they return the money.

Start-ups to tap potential of lab-grown meat

SPECIAL

Jacob Koshy
NEW DELHI

"In 12 months, it would be possible to have a lab-grown meat burger," said Sandeep Sharma, a scientist who's spent over two decades in India's leading vaccine companies and now the CEO and co-founder of Neat Meatt.

It is among the handful of Indian companies that are employing advances in cell biology and protein synthesis to solve a global challenge: how to ensure that a rising world population gets better, cheaper protein from fewer animals and diminishing cultivable land.

Some companies have bet on modifying plant products like soya, for instance, and processing it to the extent that its texture feels like meat and others, such as Neat Meatt are trying to derive cells from species that can be coaxed into meat. Unlike such plant-based meat, Neat Meatt aims to make lab-grown or so called 'cultivated meat.'

Three kinds of cell-lines are critical to recreate meat: fibroblasts – the cells that form connective tissue and collagen – myoblasts, which form muscles and adipocytes, which make up fat tissue. "The bigger challenge is in bringing all of these together," said Mr. Sharma whose team is developing these at centres based in Delhi University, South Campus and at the ICAR-National Research Centre for Meat.

A big challenge

Cell-lines are a group of cells derived from an animal that can be used to recreate several of their kind indefinitely. However, deriving an ideal stock is often a challenge because of which some companies have set their sights on relatively simpler life forms such as shrimp and prawn, whose texture and taste are easier to create.

A dish made using lab-grown meat. GETTY IMAGES

Nithin Shetty of Pune-based Klevermeat faced challenges with sourcing live shrimp, from which he needed cells to create cell lines. "We have finally managed to get such shrimp and in the process of getting cell lines. Once we perfect this – and this is potentially a huge market in itself – we could consider moving on to fish such as *rohu* and *katla*," he told *The Hindu*.

A summit was organised here by the Good Food Institute (GFI, India), a non-profit that works with start-ups, research bodies and government bodies to promote 'smart protein' or foods that are high on protein but require less land and water and aren't reliant on slaughtering animals and sea-life. Varun Deshpande, Managing Director, GFI (India), said the export market for such meat out of India was expected to be ₹1,300 crore-4,100 crore and could create 15,000-50,000 jobs by 2030 if enabling policy conditions were present. So far, the total invested capital globally in cultivated meat is around $ 1.3 billion, the organisation added.

Cultivated meat was targeted at non-vegetarians, and those who'd want to continue to experience the taste and texture of meat but would like their meat to be 'cruelty-free' and in consonant with the challenges posed by climate change, said Mr. Shetty. "A kilogram of shrimp in India can cost over ₹1,000 and while cultivated meat will be slightly more expensive now, it will eventually be comparable or cheaper," he added.

However even vegetarians concerned about the carbon footprint from cattle and methane emissions have an alternative to one of India's most widely consumed foods – milk. Bharat Bakaraju, CEO of Phyx44, a Bangalore-based biotechnology startup, is recreating the genes that make cow milk. "If soya-based milk is one end and the real milk is at the other, we are somewhere in the middle so far," he said.

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Norms for foreign universities to set up campus in GIFT City

The Hindu Bureau
NEW DELHI

The government has notified regulations for attracting foreign universities to set up off-shore campuses at GIFT City and allowed them to repatriate profits.

The new regulations allow a foreign university or educational institution among the top 500 QS World Universities to come to GIFT City and give an undertaking to "place suitable infrastructure and facilities" to offer courses such as financial management, FinTech and Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics (STEM).

The regulations have been framed eight months after Finance Minister Nirmala Sitharaman in her Budget 2022 speech said that world-class foreign universities and institutions would be allowed in the GIFT City to offer courses and be free from domestic regulations to facilitate availability of high-end human resources for financial services and technology.

In line with this the regulations seek to address some of the hurdles foreign universities have faced in coming to India such as fee and administrative control, implementation of reservation policy and the pre-requisite that they have to be a not-for-profit entity, said people in the know. The University Grants Commission (UGC) is also preparing a regulatory framework to attract foreign universities and colleges to set up campuses across the country.

The regulations also allow the parent entity "to repatriate profit, if any, without any restriction".

The courses or programmes offered by the foreign entity would have to be identical to those offered by the parent entity in its home jurisdiction and the same degree and diploma or certificate would have to be conferred.

These will "enjoy the same recognition and status as if they were conducted by the parent entity in its home jurisdiction".

The International Foreign Services Centres Authority (IFSCA), which framed the regulations, would have the right to inspect foreign campuses set up in GIFT city. If an institution withdraws or discontinues a programme it would have to provide an alternative to the affected students, including reallocation.

K. Vijay Kumar resigns from MHA security adviser post

Press Trust of India
NEW DELHI

Decorated police officer K. Vijay Kumar, who was credited for eliminating forest brigand Veerappan, has resigned as the senior security adviser in the Ministry of Home Affairs (MHA).

Mr. Kumar, who put in his papers sometimes ago due to personal reasons, has vacated his accommodation in Delhi and relocated to Chennai. "I am now based in Chennai after I decided to end my stint with the MHA due to personal reasons," he said.

The 1975-batch Indian Police Service officer was mostly advising the government on issues of Left-Wing Extremism (LWE), besides on Jammu and Kashmir.

138 exotic mammals, birds, crocodiles rescued in Mizoram

The Hindu Bureau
GUWAHATI

Sleuths of multiple government agencies on Saturday seized 138 exotic wild mammals, reptiles and birds from Champhai district in Mizoram bordering Myanmar.

This is the largest haul of such trafficked animals in the last few years.

An official in State capital Aizawl said a joint team of the Champhai district police, Excise and Narcotics departments seized the animals from three SUVs intercepted on a highway leading to southern Assam.

"We suspect the animals were smuggled in from Myanmar. We have arrested three persons who were transporting the animals in constricting cages," the official said.

The three, identified as Lalemruata, 38; Tinkhuma, 38; and E. Lalmuanpuia, 29, were being interrogated for more information about the exotic animal smuggling network. The rescued animals include 55 crocodile hatchlings, 30 tortoises, 22 pythons, 18 Sumatran water monitors, four flame bowerbirds endemic to the rainforests of New Guinea, four serval cats from Africa, two marmosets native to South America and an albino wallaby.

"The animals have been handed over to the Superintendent of the Customs Preventive Force in Champhai for further legal action," the official said.

LONDON

Climate activists pour tomato soup over Van Gogh painting in protest

Two environmental protesters appeared in a U.K. court on Saturday after throwing tomato soup over one of Vincent van Gogh's "Sunflowers" paintings at London's National Gallery. Following the latest "direct-action" stunt targeting works of art, the duo pleaded not guilty to criminal damage. REUTERS

RIYADH

Saudi Arabia announces $400 mn humanitarian aid for Ukraine

Saudi Arabia on Saturday announced $400 million in humanitarian aid for Ukraine. During a phone call by the country's Crown Prince Mohammed bin Salman to President Volodymyr Zelensky, the Prince emphasised "the Kingdom's position of supporting everything that will contribute to de-escalation" of the war. AFP

TUNIS

Tunisian protesters denounce 'coup', demand President's ouster

Thousands of Tunisians demonstrated on Saturday in the capital Tunis, denouncing a power grab by President Kais Saied and demanding accountability for the country's long-running economic crisis. Mr. Saied staged a power grab in July last year and later pushed through a constitution enshrining his one-man rule. REUTERS

TEHRAN

Protest over Mahsa Amini's death in Iran enters a fifth straight week

Demonstrators took to streets across Iran again on Saturday over Mahsa Amini despite Internet cuts, as the protest movement sparked by outrage over her death in custody enters a fifth week. Amini's death on September 16 has fuelled the biggest wave of street protests and violence seen in the country for years. AFP

Xi set for third term, China to unveil new leadership

The General Secretary will open a week-long national congress in Beijing today, where he will deliver a speech to 2,296 party delegates outlining the broad direction of the country's policies

Ananth Krishnan
BEIJING

China's Communist Party (CPC) will unveil its new leadership for the next five years on October 23, when General Secretary and President Xi Jinping is set to begin an unprecedented third term.

Mr. Xi will open a week-long national congress, which convenes every five years, in Beijing on Sunday morning, where he will deliver a speech to 2,296 party delegates outlining the broad direction of the country's policies for the next five years.

Sun Yeli, spokesperson for the party's 20th National Congress, told reporters on Saturday the event will conclude on October 22, by when it would have approved an amendment to the party Constitution and chosen the next Central Committee, which is likely to have around 370 members. As per past practice, the new 25-member Politburo and seven-member Politburo Standing Committee (PBSC) will be unveiled on October 23, following the first sitting of the new Central Committee.

Looming large: A screen showing Xi Jinping at the venue of the Party's 20th National Congress in Beijing on Saturday. GETTY IMAGES

The constitutional amendment as well as the line-up of next leaders who will join Mr. Xi on the PBSC are expected to reflect Mr. Xi's continuing control over the party and what the CPC calls his "core" status.

Mr. Sun on Saturday mounted a defence of the party's record in the past decade, including Mr. Xi's stringent "zero-COVID" regime that saw China's growth plummet to 0.4% in the second quarter.

The party has highlighted the COVID-19 policies, its declaration of the elimination of extreme poverty last year, and the anti-corruption campaign as among Mr. Xi's legacies. Mr. Sun noted that 4.4 million people had been investigated for corruption in the past decade under Mr. Xi.

Suggesting the zero-COVID policy would continue, he said the measures were "most cost-effective and have worked the best for the country" and were "adopted in light of China's national realities" including a large elderly population.

The constitutional amendment, he said, would "enshrine the new ideas, thoughts and strategies on national governance".

The party constitution was amended in 2017 to include Mr. Xi's ideology, called "Xi Jinping Thought on Socialism with Chinese Characteristics for a New Era". Mr. Xi is the first leader since Mao to have an eponymous ideology – his was called "Mao Zedong Thought" – enshrined in the party charter while in office.

Observers have suggested the amendment could similarly shorten his ideology to "Xi Jinping Thought", implicitly establishing Mr. Xi on a par with Mao, thereby ensuring his continued and unquestioned political dominance for the next five years, and possibly beyond.

Envoy summoned after Biden calls Pakistan 'most dangerous nation'

Agence France-Presse
ISLAMABAD

Pakistan on Saturday summoned the U.S. ambassador for an explanation after President Joe Biden described the South Asian country as "one of the most dangerous nations in the world" and questioned its nuclear weapons safety protocols.

Mr. Biden made the apparently off-the-cuff remark late on Thursday while talking about United States foreign policy during a private Democratic Party fundraiser in California, but the White House later published a transcript of his comments, sparking outrage in Pakistan.

Washington's relations with Pakistan have soured since last year, when the U.S. ended a two-decade war in Afghanistan.

Joe Biden

Pakistan provided crucial logistical access, but U.S. officials believe Islamabad's powerful military and intelligence apparatus also aided the Taliban, who swept back to power as foreign troops pulled out.

Mr. Biden was speaking about his frequent interactions with Chinese leader Xi Jinping, when he said: "Did anybody think we'd be in a situation where China is trying to figure out its role relative to Russia and relative to India and relative to Pakistan?

"This is a guy who understands what he wants but has an enormous, enormous array of problems. How do we handle that? How do we handle that relative to what's going on in Russia?

"And what I think is maybe one of the most dangerous nations in the world: Pakistan. Nuclear weapons without any cohesion."

Hours after the transcript of his address was posted, Pakistan summoned the U.S. ambassador Donald Blome to the foreign office in Islamabad.

"I have discussed it with the Prime Minister, and we have summoned the ambassador of the United States... for an official demarche," Pakistani Foreign Minister Bilawal Bhutto Zardari said during a press conference in Karachi.

"I am surprised by the remarks of President Biden. I believe this is exactly the sort of misunderstanding that is created when there is lack of an engagement."

Mr. Zardari appeared to offer Washington some room to manoeuvre.

"It was not an official function, it was not an address to the nation or an address to the parliament," he said.

"I don't believe that this should negatively impact the relations between Pakistan and the U.S."

Explosion at coal mine in Turkey kills 41 workers

Reuters
BARTIN

The death toll after an explosion in a coal mine in Turkey's northern Bartin province on Friday has reached 41, Turkish President Tayyip Erdogan said on Saturday.

Earlier, Interior Minister Suleyman Soylu said 58 of the 110 people working in the mine when the blast occurred were rescued by the teams or got out by themselves.

Mr. Soylu also said one miner was discharged from hospital while 10 were still receiving treatment in Bartin and Istanbul.

Authorities said Turkish prosecutors have launched an investigation into the cause of the incident but initial indications were that the blast was caused by firedamp, a term referring to methane in coal mines.

Lifesavers: Members of a rescue team resting outside the coal mine in Amasra in Turkey on Saturday. REUTERS

Fire contained

Energy Minister Fatih Donmez said a fire in the mine was largely contained but fire isolation and cooling efforts were continuing after the incident that took place 350 metres below ground.

In 2014, 301 workers were killed in Turkey 's worst ever mining disaster in the town of Soma, 350 kms south of Istanbul.

Tax rise is in the offing, says new U.K. Chancellor

Agence France-Presse
LONDON

Britain's new Finance Minister on Saturday warned of looming tax hikes as he admitted to "mistakes" made in a disastrous Budget that still threatens to bring down Prime Minister Liz Truss.

New chancellor Jeremy Hunt indicated he would be tearing up the strategy that brought Truss to 10 Downing Street.

He said Mr. Kwarteng and Ms. Truss had erred in trying to cut taxes for the highest earners, and in presenting their Budget without independent forecasts.

First Russian troops arrive in Belarus

Agencies
MOSCOW

The first Russian soldiers to take part in a new joint force with Belarusian troops have arrived in Belarus, Minsk's Defence Ministry said on Saturday.

"The first convoys of Russian servicemen from the regional force group have arrived in Belarus," the Ministry said, adding that their mission was "exclusively to strengthen the protection and defence of the border".

Last Monday the leader of Belarus Alexander Lukashenko claimed Ukraine was plotting to attack his country and announced a joint force with Moscow.

Meanwhile, an oil depot in Russia's Belgorod region bordering Ukraine is on fire after being shelled on Saturday, the governor said, as strikes increases against the area.

"We're getting bombed again. One of the shells hit the oil depot in the Belgorod region," regional governor Vyacheslav Gladkov said.

He said emergency services were already on site, adding there was "no risk" of the fire spreading.

A missile strike seriously damaged a key energy facility in Ukraine's capital region, the country's grid operator said on Saturday as the Russian military strove to cut power in far-flung populated areas while also defending against Ukrainian counter-attacks in occupied regions. Kyiv region Governor said the strike on the unidentified facility did not kill or wound anyone.

KERALA WATER AUTHORITY e-Tender Notice

Tender No: 38,39/2022-23/SE/PHC/MVPA - JJM - Providing FHTC to households in Ayyappankovil and Kanchiyar panchayaths - PACKAGE II&I - Construction of 8.00 LL GLSR at Alady Kurishumala and providing distribution networks for Zone VIII and Providing FHTC to households in Ayyappankovil and Kanchiyar panchayaths, Supply and laying 200mm DI K9 pumping main from WTP to Edapookalam, Edapookalam to Kavanthy, Kavanthy to Udayagiri GLSR, Construction of GL sump and pump house at Edapookalam, at Kavanthy, GLSR at Udayagiri, supply and laying various sizes ofdistribution pipeline in Zone IX of Ayyappancovil Panchayat and supply and erection of motor pump sets at WTP, Edapookalam and Kavanthy. EMD : ₹ **500000/ each**. Tender fee : ₹ **15000/each**. Last Date for submitting Tender : **09-11-2022 04:00 pm**. Phone : **0485 2835637**. Website: **www.kwa.kerala.gov.in, www.etenders.kerala.gov.in**
KWA-JB-GL-6-910-2022-23 **Superintending Engineer,** PH Circle, Muvattupuzha

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BRIEF TENDER NOTIFICATION

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2) KPCL/2022-23/PM/Work_Indent12872/ Call 2/14-10-2022: Supply and erection of wagon tippler 4 & 5 hopper spray nozzles and AFD 4&5 High pressure dust suppression system connected pipe lines in CHP2/RTPS. Approx. Amount put to tender inclusive of GST: ₹ 22,46,000/- **EMD:** ₹ 56,150/-. **Last date for queries:** 21-10-2022, 17:00 hrs. **Last date for submission of completed tender document:** 29-10-2022, 17:30 hrs. **Date of opening of technical bid:** 31-10-2022, 09:30 hrs. **Date of opening of price bids of pre-qualified bidders:**31-10-2022, 15:30 hrs. Further details can be had from: The Executive Engineer (CHP) M-2, RTPS, KPCL, Shaktinagar-584170, Raichur Dist. Mobile: 8277502856

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Lectures transcreated from English to five Indian languages

Shubashree Desikan

In India, people speak many different languages, yet the medium of higher education is mainly English. It would be a grand feat if quality lectures available in English could be transcreated into various Indian languages.

This idea first occurred to Prof. Rajeev Sangal of Indian Institute of Information Technology (IIIT) Hyderabad, who in discussion with then Principal Scientific Advisor to the Prime Minister Prof. Vijay Raghavan, initiated the process.

This project aims to transcreate about 40,000 videos of lectures from the NPTEL and SWAYAM programmes into five Indian languages at first and then into 13. The pilot project spiralled out from IIIT Hyderabad, with Indian Institute of Technology (IIT) Madras and IIT Bombay as partners.

Dipti Mishra (IIIT Hyderabad), Pushpak Bhattacharya (IIT Bombay), Umesh Srinivasan and Hema A. Murthy (IIT Madras) led the project in their respective institutions.

The process

In the project, every video is first subjected to speech recognition. The extracted file is cleaned up with errors being manually removed (at IIIT Hyderabad and IIT Bombay).

The identification and discovery of technical "domain terms" is done at IIIT Hyderabad. This is followed by text-to-text machine translation, carried out at IIIT Hyderabad and IIT Bombay.

A manual error-correction is then done at IIT Madras and IIIT Hyderabad. From the translated, corrected text, speech is synthesised at IIT Madras where also the speech is made to synchronise with the lip movement.

In future, this technology would develop to the extent that the synthesised speech will perfectly match with the original speaker's voice itself.

"The project is meant to engage a large number of startups for not only technical lectures, but also general topics," said Prof. Murthy.

Future goals

In all, 75 videos have been transcreated in five different Indian languages. Once machine translation is developed for more languages, this can be extended to 13 languages.

"The software is indigenous and available in open source, and to startups for commercial purposes at no fee," says Prof. Murthy.

Future goals include making 100 courses available in 18 Indian languages. Also, the researchers plan to perform spoken language identification, provide keyword search and transcreations between two Indian languages and Indian English.

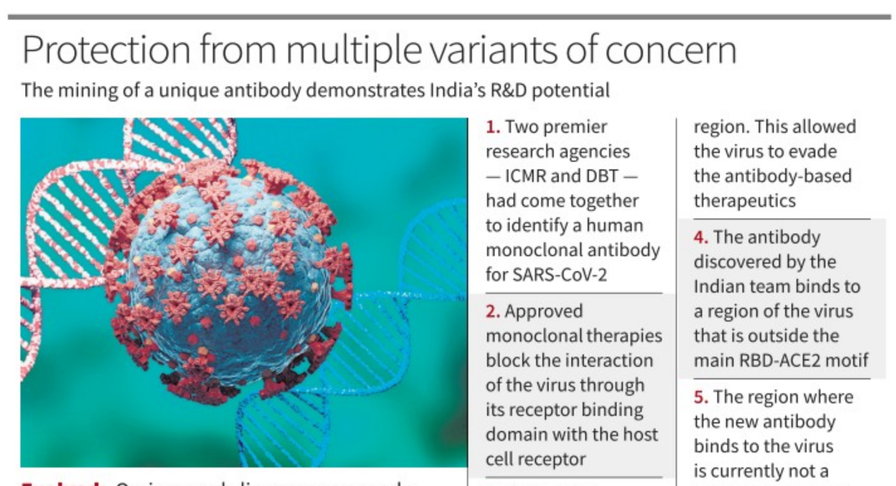
This will involve many more institutions across India.

"This is the first time that all of us have come together and made an impact," says Dr. Murthy.

Neutralising antibody against multiple SARS-CoV-2 variants

The monoclonal antibody clone retains its potency and broad activity because the antibody binds to a region that is outside the main RBD-ACE2 motif

Anmol Chandele
Amit Sharma


Protection from multiple variants of concern
The mining of a unique antibody demonstrates India's R&D potential
1. Two premier research agencies — ICMR and DBT — had come together to identify a human monoclonal antibody for SARS-CoV-2
2. Approved monoclonal therapies block the interaction of the virus through its receptor binding domain with the host cell receptor
3. As the virus evolved, it acquired mutations in the RBD region. This allowed the virus to evade the antibody-based therapeutics
4. The antibody discovered by the Indian team binds to a region of the virus that is outside the main RBD-ACE2 motif
5. The region where the new antibody binds to the virus is currently not a mutational hotspot and is thus conserved across most variants
Evolved: Omicron sub-lineages can evade antibodies generated by vaccines and natural infection.

The discovery of monoclonal antibodies have come a long way since they were first made using the hybridoma technology in 1975. Now more cutting-edge platforms are available that can clone and express antibody genes from the cells that make the antibodies (B cells) in a high-throughput manner and are in use both for basic research and translational purpose.

Very recently labs in India started to establish these human monoclonal antibody platforms to tackle public health concerns specific to India.

Helpful collaboration

During the height of the pandemic, as an exemplary example of national and international collaboration, the Indian Council of Medical Research (ICMR) partnered with Department of Biotechnology (DBT), International Centre for Genetic Engineering and Biotechnology (ICGEB), New Delhi, and Emory Vaccine Centre, Atlanta, to spearhead a discovery of a human monoclonal towards SARS-CoV-2.

This led to the generation of a large number of human monoclonal antibodies that were specific to SARS-CoV-2. Our search eventually narrowed down to one antibody (clone 002-S21F2) that was potently and broadly neutralising across various SARS-CoV-2 variants and Omicron sub-lineages.

The earlier monoclonal therapies that were approved for emergency use in other countries primarily functioned by blocking the interaction of the virus through its receptor binding domain (RBD) with the host cell receptor (ACE2). The virus makes new mutations in its receptor binding domain (RBD), which is a critical part of the virus for binding to the host cell.

Hence, as the virus evolved, it acquired mutations precisely in this region, and each variant was decorated with a different set of mutations which allowed the virus to evade many of these antibody-based therapeutics.

In contrast, our antibody clone retains its potency and broad activity because the antibody binds to a region that is outside the main RBD-ACE2 motif. The SARS-CoV-2 spike trimer is like a flower with three petals. This flower is in closed or down conformation and more like a bud; the virus has many of these on its surface. When it wants to infect the host cells, it opens up or as we call it the three RBD's go in the 'up confirmation'.

However, our antibody (002-S21F2) binds in such a way that it does not allow this 'closed to open'/'down to up' alteration to happen efficiently, and thus the virus is now incapable of infecting the host cell.

As this region is not precisely within the RBD-ACE2 binding motif, it is not currently a mutational hotspot and thus is conserved across most variants, the Omicron sub-lineages included.

Rare genetic make up

One of the parameters that govern what an antibody is like is its genetic makeup; the human body is capable of making almost infinite combinations of antibodies. Our clone has a unique and rare genetic make up – so perhaps while everyone has taken the same approach of mining for antibodies that bind to the RBD, and also neutralise the virus, we have mined for a monoclonal antibody that is rare, broadly and potently neutralising.

Our study published in the journal *Science Advances* has multiple implications. The first and foremost is that the discovery allows India to move towards its indigenous antibody-based therapeutics. Moreover, the information of the conserved regions of the virus that induce broad and potent neutralising antibodies can be utilised towards universal vaccine design.

Second, while the COVID-19 pandemic is no more at its height, we have not completely eradicated the virus. Thus, there will be always a part of our population that will remain vulnerable to this ever-evolving virus.

Currently, there are not even a handful of human monoclonals that have stood the test of time against all variants and thus the need for such immediate therapies is always of value.

Third, the study showcases India's capacity towards cutting-edge technologies that are currently in use only in the developed world. It allows for us to pivot these capacities and expertise towards any need-of-the-hour indigenous solutions that will be more sustainable and affordable to the Indian population.

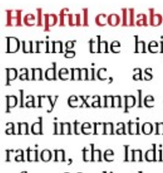
Finding solutions

Finally, ICMR and DBT while having different foci for biomedical research, have in this case joined forces to provide a solution to a pressing public health problem that the world has recently faced.

This discovery is a shining example of how two premier research agencies can come together to propel India's capacity towards cutting-edge translational research and development.

(Anmol Chandele is Group Leader, ICGEB-Emory Vaccine Centre, Molecular Medicine Group, ICGEB New Delhi. Amit Sharma is Group Leader, Structural Parasitology, Molecular Medicine Group, ICGEB New Delhi and Ex-Director of NIMR, ICMR.)

Learning from new life forms



SPEAKING OF SCIENCE
D. Balasubramanian

The Geological era that we live in is called the anthropocene. This is because of the global impact that humans and their activities have made after they evolved. A notable effect of changes seen in the anthropocene has been a rapid increase in the rate of extinction of other species.

However, skeptics of climate change keep pointing to the large discrepancies in the extinction rates published by various researchers. The online magazine, *Yale Environment 360*, has reported a range of 24 to 150 species lost per day. Either of these numbers is alarming. A total of about 1,000 species of animals have been actually documented to have gone extinct in the last 400 years.

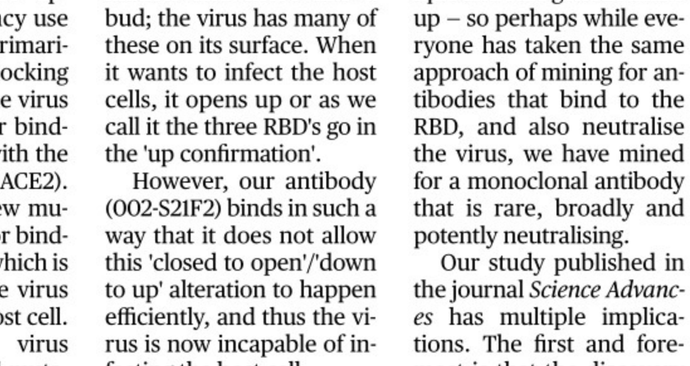
We do not have a reasonably complete inventory of the animals and plants on our planet. New species are still being found and documented. For instance, a report in *The Hindu* dated March 3, 2021, described five new frogs from the Western Ghats.

In India, a few groups (at the IISc Bengaluru, University of Delhi, Kerala Forest Research Institute, etc.) have made stellar contributions to lists of new discoveries.

Looking for new species

Finding new species can be a painstaking work. Many new species are found in biodiversity hotspots that are heaven for snakes and mosquitos, but are not very hospitable to humans.

Scientists from the Zoological Survey of India (ZSI), Kolkata found a new species of shrew on the island of Narcondam, a part of the Union Territory of Andaman and Nicobar Islands, and named it *crocidura narcondamica* (*Scientific Reports*, 2021). This shrew is found nowhere else.


Found nowhere: The shrew species recently discovered in Narcondam in Andaman and Nicobar Islands is about 10 cm long. GETTY IMAGES

Narcondam is a small island and has a dormant volcano. Nearly all of it is densely forested.

Shrews earned an undeserving, ill-tempered reputation in a work of Shakespeare. But the animal itself is rather secretive. They are small in size; our own recent discovery being about 10 cm long. Their hearts can beat at 1,000 times per minute.

Of what potential use could such discoveries be? A few shrew species are venomous, which is highly unusual for a mammal. A few studies, not very detailed, have indicated that this venom contains chemical entities of interest to health professionals.

The accelerated extinction of life forms has led to major initiatives to sequence as many species as possible. There is a hope that with scientific advances, we may have 'Jurassic Park' scenarios where at least some extinct life forms are brought back to life. At a more prosaic level, comparing genomes can provide clues for the betterment of human health. A regularly updated Wikipedia list of completely sequenced genomes lists 100 bird species and 150 mammals. Many more are needed.

The Nicobar treeshrew

It is, therefore, heartening to know that the laboratories of the ZSI have published the mitochondrial genome sequence of another rare mammal endemic to the Nicobar Islands – the Nicobar treeshrew (*Scientific Reports*, 2022).

Treeshrews are not really shrews; more closely resembling squirrels. They are considered to be promising models for the study of influenza H1N1 and Hepatitis virus infections.

Let us hope that the ZSI will sequence the whole genome of the Nicobar treeshrew soon.

(The article was written in collaboration with Sushil Chandani who works in molecular modelling.
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SNAPSHOTS

Human brain cells injected into brains of newborn rats

Miniature human-brain-like structures transplanted into rats can send signals and respond to environmental cues. Researchers grew the structures from human stem cells and then injected them into the brains of newborn rat pups. After six months, the organoids became fully integrated into the rat brains. The approach could lead to a way to test therapies for human brain disorders. But there are some ethical concerns – creating rodent-human hybrids could harm the animals.

Floods in Pakistan highlight the need for climate justice

Record rains this summer put one-third of Pakistan underwater, killing around 1,300 people and causing widespread devastation that has affected 33 million people. The disaster has highlighted the question of whether rich countries should provide funding to address the loss and damage inflicted by climate change on the people who have contributed least to emissions – a key issue at the next United Nations climate conference, COP27, in November.

Microbes in Mars make conditions unfavourable

Ancient Mars might have been capable of nurturing hydrogen-eating, methane-producing microbes. Although similar creatures helped to make the environment on Earth more conducive to life, they would have done the opposite on Mars. Computer models show that methane produced by Martian microbial life would have cooled the planet and made it uninhabitable. These simple life forms would have altered the atmosphere so profoundly that they triggered a Martian Ice Age and snuffed themselves out.

Question Corner

Polar regions

Can the polar regions provide clues about early-life evolution on Earth?

The amazing survival strategies of polar marine creatures might help to explain how the first animals on Earth could have evolved earlier than the oldest fossils suggest, according to new research. These first, simple and now extinct animals might have lived through some of the most extreme, cold and icy periods the world has ever seen (*Global Change Biology*). The fossil record places the earliest animal life on Earth at 572-602 million years ago, just as the world came out of a huge ice age, whilst molecular studies suggest an earlier origin, up to 850 million years ago.

If correct, this means that animals must have survived during a time influenced by multiple global ice ages, when the whole or large parts of the planet were encased in ice, far bigger than any seen since.

If animal life did arise before or during these extreme glacial periods, it would have faced conditions like modern marine habitats found in Antarctica and the Arctic today, and required similar survival strategies.

Readers may send their questions / answers to questioncorner@thehindu.co.in

The issues in the Collegium's functioning

Why did a meeting of the Collegium not take place? Should the body change the way it works?

K. Venkataramanan

The story so far:

A meeting of the Supreme Court Collegium, comprising the Chief Justice of India (CJI), and four senior-most judges, which was called for September 30 but did not take place, was subsequently "closed without there being any further deliberation". What prevented further deliberations was the fact that the Union Law Minister, by a letter dated October 7, requested Chief Justice U.U. Lalit to nominate his successor, as the latter's tenure ends on November 8, 2022. The postponement of the meeting and its subsequent closure has invited attention to the manner in which the Collegium functions.

What is the work of the Collegium?

The Collegium system, one in which a group of the senior-most judges make appointments to the higher judiciary, has been in practice for nearly three decades. Its importance lies in the fact that its opinion has primacy in the matter of appointments to the high courts and the Supreme Court, as well as transfers. Its legal basis is found in a series of three judgments – usually referred to as the 'Judges Cases' – concerning the higher judiciary. Its manner of functioning has been laid down in the form of a 'Memorandum of Procedure'.

The Constitution says a Supreme Court judge is appointed by the President in consultation with the Chief Justice of India. In the 'First Judges Case', the court held that the consultation with the CJI should be "full and effective". The Second Judges case introduced the collegium system in 1993. It ruled that the CJI would have to consult a collegium of his two senior-most judges in the apex court on judicial appointments. The 'Third Judges Case' case in 1998, which was a Presidential reference, expanded the collegium to its present composition of the CJI and four of his senior-most judges.

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How does it discharge its functions?

The Collegium's functioning has been criticised for being opaque. Its resolutions and recommendations are hosted on the Supreme Court's website, giving relevant information about its decisions. However, the nature of the deliberations and whether there are any internal differences of opinion on the suitability of a particular candidate are unknown. It functions mainly through the system of adopting resolutions and sending them to the Union Law Ministry for further action. If a proposal for appointment of a judge is returned for reconsideration, the Collegium may either drop it or reiterate it. When the Collegium reiterates its decision after reconsideration, it is binding on the government.

Why was the meeting closed without result?

The meeting had to be postponed because on that day, a member of the Collegium, Justice D.Y. Chandrachud, who will be the next Chief Justice of India, was preoccupied with his list of cases well beyond court hours. Subsequently, a difference of opinion has been acknowledged over the manner in which the deliberations were to go on. While Chief Justice Lalit wanted to circulate the files pertaining to some recommendations for appointment to the Supreme Court, two judges in the Collegium, Justice Chandrachud and Justice Abdul Nazeer, did not favour any decision through circulation. They preferred deliberations in person.

Meanwhile, the Union Law Minister asked the Chief Justice to name his successor. By convention, once a recommendation for the successor to the CJI's office is made, the Collegium ceases to make decisions. There is no law or rule that says the Collegium should become dysfunctional during the last month of a Chief Justice's tenure, but it is observed as a matter of convention.

What are the issues from this development?

Three questions may have arisen from the development. One is whether there ought to be a prescribed mode of decision-making, that is, through personal deliberations or by circulation or by adopting both means as per convenience. The second is whether all members of the Collegium give their opinions in writing, or whether they convey reservations, if any, orally. A related question that arises is whether all decisions ought to be unanimous and consensual. There is a view that a recommendation by majority, with one or two expressing reservations, may give a good reason for the executive to reject the recommendation or seek reconsideration. Also, the need for the Collegium not to hold any deliberations in the last month of a Chief Justice's tenure is something to be debated. Given that the CJI is appointed by seniority, many of them have only a short tenure running into a few months. This convention may slow down decision-making.

Why did bank bailout research get the Nobel?

How have the three economists' insights improved the financial system's ability to avoid serious crises and bank 'runs'? Why is their work being rewarded now, almost four decades after it was published? What lessons has India learned from their analysis?

Vikas Dhoot

The story so far:

On October 10, The Royal Swedish Academy of Sciences unveiled the names of the winners of the Sveriges Riksbank Prize in Economic Sciences in Memory of Alfred Nobel 2022. Three economists were jointly bestowed the honour of the final set of Nobel laureates to be announced this year: former U.S. Federal Reserve chairperson Ben S. Bernanke, a doctorate from the Massachusetts Institute of Technology; Douglas W. Diamond and Philip H. Dybvig, both of whom are doctorates from Yale University.

Why were they chosen for the award?

The Nobel in Economics has been awarded to Bernanke, Diamond and Dybvig for their "research on banks and financial crises" undertaken in the early 1980s which have formed the foundations of what constitutes most modern banking research. Their analyses nearly four decades ago, still inform efforts to emphasise the vitality of banks to keep the economy functioning smoothly, the possible mechanisms to make them more robust amid crises periods, and how bank collapses can fuel a larger financial crisis that can rattle economies. Moreover, their work went beyond the realm of just theory and has had significant practical import in regulating financial markets and pre-empting or coping with crises.

What are the key insights gleaned from these economists' work?

Bernanke, who was the U.S. Federal Reserve chief from 2006 to 2014, had analysed the worst modern economic crisis – the Great Depression of the 1930s that began in the U.S. but bludgeoned economies across the world for several years – in a 1983 article. He turned conventional thinking of the time on its head by arguing that bank failures in the 1930s were not just a result of the Depression but, in fact, a contributing factor to the lingering scars on economic activity. Apart from the obvious impact of collapsing banks on its depositors' fortunes, he argued that critical borrower profiles were lost when banks imploded, thus hindering the ability to channelise savings to investments that could have revived the economy faster. Previous economic historians had only focused on those banks' failures as a factor that affected the economy in as much as there was a contraction in money supply. Bernanke proved otherwise by using 'historical documentary evidence and empirical data to uncover the importance of the credit channel for the propagation of the depression', the Academy pointed out.

> The Nobel jury's picks may be construed as a reminder to the govt. about lessons that would come in handy again as the current tumult unfolds

In the works: The Nobel Prize winners for Economic Sciences, Philip Dybvig, Ben S. Bernanke, and Douglas W. Diamond. REUTERS, AFP

Diamond and Dybvig, who completed their doctorates at Yale a year apart in the late 1970s, came together in 1983 to postulate theoretical models on banks' role in an economy and what makes them vulnerable to 'runs' on their deposits. While depositors want any-time access to their savings parked with banks, banks don't keep the money idle, investing and lending it onwards to borrowers for longer tenures. This tenure mismatch in banks' asset-liability profiles mean that even rumours about a bank's imminent collapse could become a self-fulfilling prophecy as all savers make a beeline to hastily withdraw their money though a bank only keeps part of those savings handy to meet routine withdrawals from a part of their depositor base. To meet a simultaneous withdrawal rush, a bank would be compelled to sell its long-term investments, even if at a loss, in the hope that the deposit bleeding stops before it runs out of cash in hand.

What framework did they propose?

The two economists not only came up with a logical framework for understanding this informally understood Achilles' heel for banks, but also provided solutions such as deposit insurance or a 'lender of last resort' policy that governments can consider to avoid such failures. "When depositors know that the state has guaranteed their money, they no longer need to rush to the bank as soon as rumours start about a bank run," they explained. Most countries have deposit insurance schemes in place now, even as they hope and strive to ensure the eventuality of these risk covers being tapped doesn't arise. The jury in charge of picking the Nobel said their work stimulated a flurry of subsequent studies yielding new fundamental insights on issues such as financial contagion, inside money creation, financial propagation, and financial regulation.

In a 1984 paper, Diamond also demonstrated banks' 'societally important function as intermediaries between many savers and borrowers' as they are best placed to assess the latter's creditworthiness and 'ensuring that loans are used for good' investments. This line of thought was also part of Bernanke's analysis. "The theoretical and empirical findings of Bernanke, Diamond, and Dybvig thus reinforce each other. Together they offer important insights into the beneficial role that banks play in the economy, but also into how their vulnerabilities can lead to devastating financial crises," the Committee that deliberated on the Economic Sciences Nobel explained in a note.

Why have they been picked now?

The world economy is in the throes of a fresh crisis, just as it was emerging from the COVID-19 pandemic-induced haemorrhaging. The International Monetary Fund (IMF) has warned that the 'worst is yet to come' and recessionary conditions loom for many countries, as the war in Europe stretches on amid a 'cost of living' crisis vitiated by food and energy worries. The Nobel jury's picks may well be construed as a reminder to governments about lessons that would come in handy again as the current tumult unfolds with fears about impending shocks to the banking system. These economists' findings have been proven 'extremely valuable for policymakers, as is evident in the actions taken by central banks and financial regulators in confronting two recent major crises – the Great Recession [triggered by the global financial crisis between 2007-09 when shadow banks like Lehman Brothers collapsed] and the economic downturn that was generated by the COVID-19 pandemic,' it underlined.

Does this have any resonance for India?

Indian households as well as policy makers are all too familiar with bank failures in the recent past, starting from the trouble at the privately run Global Trust Bank to freezes in withdrawals at several co-operative banks. Government and regulatory interventions to sustain faith in the banking system have included higher deposit insurance cover, facilitating takeovers of weaker lenders and steps to rein in bad loans. The key learnings from the Nobel Laureates' work seem to have been embraced by Indian authorities. But as the government pursues privatisation of banks while aiming to consolidate lenders to create larger entities to finance bigger investments and higher growth, utmost regulatory and legislative vigil is warranted to pre-empt any mishaps in the financial sector.

What triggered the U.K.'s economic crisis?

Why did the new Prime Minister's policies on tax cuts for the highest earners turn out to be controversial and lead to a free fall in the economy? Is the Conservative party planning to oust her and replace her with the Sunak-Mordaunt duo? What lies ahead?

Narayan Lakshman

The story so far:

On Friday, British Prime Minister Liz Truss fired Chancellor of the Exchequer Kwasi Kwarteng and dropped parts of their economic package that had been announced to tackle burgeoning inflation and sooth market turbulence.

When did the trouble begin?

The U.K. economy has veered dangerously toward free fall in recent weeks as Ms. Truss and Mr. Kwarteng fumbled their way through defining a clear economic strategy, while persisting with their stated goal of spurring economic growth in the post-Brexit scenario. Their troubles began shortly after September 6 when Ms. Truss took over from her predecessor, Boris Johnson, who left Downing Street under a cloud after an internal party rebellion over his involvement in the "party-gate" scandal. At the time she vowed to make the Conservative Party respectable and electable again. Yet even as she entered office, her Cabinet stared at a looming energy crisis partly driven by the instability stemming from energy supply disruptions associated with Russia's Ukraine war. While she appeared to act decisively in early September to assure British families, struggling to pay their gas bills, of an energy price guarantee and subsequent cost savings, it was her broader plan to cut income tax for the highest earners in the U.K. and to scrap a corporate tax hike that was in the firing line.

> The Truss cabinet's U-turn on unfunded tax cuts may bring temporary calm, but deeper changes are required to bring the U.K. back to stable economic growth

Under pressure: Britain's former Chancellor of the Exchequer Kwasi Kwarteng and Prime Minister Liz Truss at a tribute to the late Queen. AP

What has been the fallout of the policies?

Her now infamous mini budget of September 23 outlining these proposals caused such a turbulence in the markets that the Bank of England (BoE) was compelled to step in to help the pensions industry survive skyrocketing government borrowing costs, a crashing pound and soaring mortgage rates. Ms. Truss fired Mr. Kwarteng and replaced him with Jeremy Hunt, a former Minister under ex-Prime Ministers Theresa May and David Cameron.

Why have these proposals been unpopular?

The Truss Cabinet has primarily been criticised for what Mr. Sunak has called the "fantasy island economics" of slashing revenue sources without adequately funding the large fiscal hole that such a give-away would create. The recent proposals have also been attacked as the wrong priority given the more immediate concern surrounding runaway inflationary trends triggered by global commodity price fluctuations, convulsions in the energy market and the supply side constraints of a post-Brexit economic structure.

The first policy that the Truss-Kwarteng duo came up with to kick-start the U.K. economy was a plan to abolish the 45% top rate of income tax for people on incomes of £1,50,000 or higher. A second policy in a similar vein was the proposal to scrap a planned increase in corporate tax from 19% to 25% starting next April. Together, the two measures amounted to £45 billion in unfunded tax cuts. Almost immediately after Mr. Kwarteng announced these measures, the yields on 10-year government bonds jumped dramatically, from 3.5% to 4.3% and then settled at nearly 4.05% after the BoE intervened with an emergency £65 billion bond-buying programme to stabilise the market. It is broadly agreed that a rise in gilt yields, effectively the cost of borrowing to the U.K. government, indicates a lack of confidence in the market to purchase the government's debt, likely in the belief that it has ballooned out of control or that sufficient mitigation measures are not in place to bring such debt back to sustainable levels.

What are the political ramifications of the crisis?

There is a common perception that the Truss government, if not already on its last legs, may not have long to go before its embarrassing display of tone-deaf economic policymaking completely undercuts its weak political standing. At the moment it looks likely that Ms. Truss could be ousted from office before the next general election, which is set to happen by January 2025 or sooner. Rumours abound of a group of Conservative lawmakers said to be making plans to get Ms. Truss out of Downing Street by Christmas 2022, and installing in her stead a "moderate dream ticket" comprising Mr. Sunak and Penny Mordaunt, who has served as Minister and Secretary of State under Mr. Johnson and Margaret Thatcher respectively. Both members are acknowledged to be Conservative Party heavyweights and challengers to Ms. Truss in the recent leadership contest.

What steps would be required to mitigate the crisis?

While the Truss government's U-turn on the unfunded tax cuts may temporarily ameliorate the turmoil in markets and prevent further economic damage, deeper macroeconomic changes are required to bring the U.K. back to a stable path of economic growth and manageable inflation levels. On the one hand the executive must refrain from shooting itself in the foot by undermining the BoE's attempts to get a handle on inflation, now nearly 10% in the U.K. The BoE has been attempting to do so through a series of interest rate hikes aimed at moderating business and consumer spending. An unfunded fiscal programme with knock-on effects on the cost of borrowing and government bond prices limits the ability of the BoE. Second, on public expenditure, what might be required in the long term to develop the U.K. economy that can face the challenges of the 21st century is a more visionary public investment programme similar to the European Union's trillion-dollar climate and digitalisation scheme or the U.S.'s expansive climate and infrastructure programme.

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The princeling's next decade

Xi Jinping

Facing an existential crisis in 2012, the Communist Party of China turned to a 'princeling'. A decade on, Xi Jinping has rewritten the Party rulebook and is laying the groundwork for years of continued dominance

Ananth Krishnan

When Xi Jinping ascends the stage of the Great Hall of the People in Beijing on Sunday morning to open, for a second time, the ruling Communist Party's once-in-five-year congress, his appearance was meant to have been his last.

For the past three decades, the leaders of China's Communist Party (CPC) have passed on the baton to their successors every 10 years, following a two-term limit set by the former leader Deng Xiaoping. The 18th Party Congress in 2012, when Xi took over, saw Hu Jintao step down. Mr. Hu himself ascended to the top job at the 16th Congress in 2002, taking over from Jiang Zemin.

For many observers in China, the precedent of the term limit was what distinguished China from other autocracies. It enabled three largely smooth transfers of power, and spared the brutal succession struggles and civil wars that systems of government without democratic elections are often prone to. It was a key feature of the "collective leadership" that Deng came up with to prevent a recurrence of Mao's cult of personality that set China back by decades and claimed the lives of millions of Chinese through the catastrophic Great Leap Forward and Cultural Revolution.

Yet, if there is one thing that Mr. Xi has made clear during a decade at the helm, he has little time for precedent.

Indeed, what is most notable about the 20th Party Congress – which convenes on Sunday for one week and will usher in a sweeping leadership change across all levels of the CPC, barring, of course, its highest position – is the emphasis not on change, as in every past recent congress, but continuity. It is, for a "princeling" with impeccable "Red" credentials, a coronation.

Princeling to purged

Mr. Xi's rise to the top of the CPC is, in a strange sense, both expected and surprising. Mr. Xi was born to "red royalty", and like fellow princelings, as the children of the revolutionary leaders who were Mao's contemporaries were known, grew up in the exclusive courtyard compounds around Zhongnanhai, the former imperial gardens that today serve as the seat of the party's power.

Mr. Xi's rise to the top was, however, by no means linear. The Xi family's status was turned around overnight from privileged to persecuted when Mao went after Xi's father, Xi Zhongxun, among the many top leaders who Mao purged during the Cultural Revolution (1966-76). The older Xi was made to undergo humiliating "struggle sessions" in public at the hands of Mao's Red Guards.

His privileged status stripped overnight, the younger Xi, 15 at the time, was sent down to the countryside with 17 million other young Chinese, part of Mao's campaign to ensure that educated youth "get re-educated by the poor".

If some dreaded the prospect of a hard life in the villages, Mr. Xi later recalled he was happy to leave Beijing behind. "Everyone was crying. I was laughing," he said. "My family who had accompanied me to the train had asked why, and I told them, I'd cry if I wasn't leaving. How can I be sure I have a future here?" The Xi family's political fortunes had hit rock bottom, so much so that Mr. Xi wasn't sure he would ever return to the capital.

The years Mr. Xi spent in the wilderness in the village of Liangjiahe would, he later wrote, turn out to be a defining period in shaping his understanding of China's politics. Mr. Xi, after all, had a personal grasp of the consequences of a system where power is arbitrary, and the winner takes all.

The taint of his father's disgrace would follow Mr. Xi, who was initially barred from joining the Communist Youth League, an organisation for youth that is also an entry into party politics. Mr. Xi had to apply eight times before finally being accepted into the youth league.

Membership into the CPC itself was even harder because of his family history, and he was only accepted after his 11th application attempt. "Where was the verdict against my father?" Mr.

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Xi later wrote of his multiple rejections. "When a fault is committed, there is a verdict. But where is the one against my father? Who do you think I am? What have I done? Have I written or chanted counter-revolutionary slogans? I am a young man who wants to build a career. What is the problem with that?"

Rising up the ranks

Mr. Xi's troubled childhood did not turn him against a system where power was overconcentrated. Instead, it appears to have given him a life-long lesson in how power is exercised in China – and how to not end up on the losing side of an unforgiving winner-takes-all system.

When the older Xi was rehabilitated by Deng Xiaoping like many other leaders cast aside by Mao, his son's political fortunes turned around. A family history that was a burden turned out to be a boon as his father, who rose to the position of Vice Premier, played a key role in the economic reforms of the Deng era.

Mr. Xi's connections enabled him entry into the prestigious Tsinghua University in 1975, and secured for him a politically important post working as a young aide in the General Office of the Central Military Commission, the PLA's top ruling body. The early posting would give him a familiarity with the party's military – a key asset that allowed him to stamp his authority on the PLA as well as later usher in sweeping reforms that past leaders going back to Deng had failed to implement.

Xi went against his family's wishes in 1982 and left Beijing, taking up a post in the poor county of Zhengding in Hebei province

Mr. Xi's political instincts served him well in rising up the ranks. He was aware, more than most, of the fickle nature of Communist Party politics. He sensed correctly that his family background – which had now turned from liability to asset – could end up counting against him if he continued with privileged postings.

He went against his family's wishes in 1982 and left Beijing, taking up a post in the poor county of Zhengding in Hebei province. The move was politically astute, as it would later protect him from criticisms of exploiting his princeling status and showed he was able to roll up his sleeves.

Postings in the prosperous eastern coastal regions would follow, including Fujian, Zhejiang and Shanghai. However, Mr. Xi was never set for the top job, and was expected to, in the party's 17th Congress in 2007, emerge as the second-ranked leader of the next generation behind Hu Jintao's protégé, Li Keqiang. China's political world was left shocked, however, when Mr. Xi emerged out of the congress ahead of Mr. Li. What transpired behind closed doors remains unknown to this day.

The compromise candidate

What may have propelled Mr. Xi to the top post was an apparent perception of him as a compromise candidate who did not hail from the factions associated with former leaders Jiang and Hu, and also had the backing of fellow "princelings" and Red families.

Mr. Xi's ascension in 2012 was, however, by no means smooth. In the weeks leading up the congress, the Party was rocked by an embarrassing scandal involving another princeling, Bo Xilai, who was once seen as a Xi rival. The party purged Mr. Bo after a scandal involving his wife's murder of a British business associate. Lurid details of the Bo family's corruption became the single biggest talking point in China just as Mr. Xi was taking over.

The sense of crisis engulfing the party a decade ago now seems a distant memory, and the real story of how close the party came to upheaval still remains untold given the black box that is Chinese politics. After taking over, Mr. Xi purged the former security czar Zhou Yongkang, who by some accounts had emerged as powerful as Hu Jintao during the past term through his firm grip of the party's vast security apparatus, and had been seeking to use his power to derail Mr. Xi's ascension, in apparent cahoots with Mr. Bo.

Mr. Xi turned the Bo scandal to his advantage, impressing upon the party's elite that the past decade under weak leadership had led to unchecked corruption that had brought the party to the edge of ruin. Mr. Xi was given the mandate to launch a sweeping anti-corruption campaign that broke all precedent by going after hitherto untouched top leaders. Besides Mr. Zhou, the PLA's highest ranking Generals, Xu Caihou and Guo Boxiong, were also purged.

The anti-corruption campaign left Mr. Xi in full command as he finished his first term in 2017. At the 19th Congress held that year, Mr. Xi became the first leader since Mao to have his name written into the party constitution – his ideology, called Xi Jinping Thought on Socialism with Chinese Characteristics for a New Era, was added to the constitution – while in office.

The compromise candidate very quickly turned out rather differently. Those that, out of hope rather than evidence, expected Mr. Xi to show his father's reformist credentials were left alarmed by one of his very first speeches delivered during his first trip out of Beijing, to Guangdong, the setting of China's reforms.

Mr. Xi used Guangdong's backdrop to instead launch a firm defence of Communist ideology that captures clearly his political outlook. "Why did the Soviet Union disintegrate?" Mr. Xi asked. "Why did the Soviet Communist Party collapse? An important reason was that their ideals and beliefs had been shaken. In the end, 'the ruler's flag over the city tower' changed overnight. It's a profound lesson for us! To dismiss the history of the Soviet Union and the Soviet Communist Party, to dismiss Lenin and Stalin, and to dismiss everything else is to engage in historic nihilism... Why must we stand firm on the Party's leadership over the military? Because that's the lesson from the collapse of the Soviet Union. In the Soviet Union where the military was depoliticised, separated from the Party and nationalised, the party was disarmed. A few people tried to save the Soviet Union; they seized Gorbachev, but within days, it was turned around again, because they didn't have the instruments to exert power. Yeltsin gave a speech standing on a tank, but the military made no response, keeping so-called 'neutrality'. Finally, Gorbachev announced the disbandment of the Soviet Communist Party in a blithe statement. A big Party was gone just like that. Proportionally, the Soviet Communist Party had more members than we do, but nobody was man enough to stand up and resist."

'Core' leadership

Mr. Xi, of course, presented himself as that "man". At the very start of his second term, Mr. Xi ended the two-term limit for the post of President that Mr. Jiang and Mr. Hu had followed. A massive restructuring of the Party-State to bring greater centralisation under his "core" leadership, as well as a sweeping reform of the military, followed.

Xi's reign saw a reversal of the gradual, even if limited, attempt to institutionalise the use of power and establish a system of 'rule by law'

As Zhang Lifan, a historian and follower of elite Party politics who lives in Beijing, put it to this correspondent when Mr. Xi rewrote the Party rulebook and abandoned the collective leadership model, he was in a sense "the right man, at the right place, at the right time".

"Before he came to power, there were many negative feelings about the collective leadership system inside the party," he said. "Every member of the Politburo Standing Committee had their own power, their own opinion, and no one was taking responsibility. They wanted a strongman to take charge, and change this situation. Then he launched the anti-corruption campaign. Many families are afraid of being caught, and do not dare to fight him. This allowed him to centralise power rapidly." Centralisation has also meant a concentration of power in the party's hands and the disappearance of dissent, marking a reversal of the two decade-long trend in the Jiang and Hu eras that saw a gradual, even if limited, attempt to institutionalise the use of power and establish a system of "rule by law" to check party power.

Shrinking space

The space for expression has also shrunk. A briefly vibrant social media space that emerged during the end of the Hu years has now become completely controlled by party censors. A reminder of the degree of control was on display in recent days when users were reportedly suspended from WeChat for sharing images of a rare protest in Beijing – banners calling for an end to the zero-COVID regime, for freedom, and for Mr. Xi's removal were displayed on a bridge in the city by a lone protester, who was taken away by the police.

Centralisation is likely to be the continued trend in Mr. Xi's next term. The party's next Politburo, which Mr. Xi is expected to head for an unprecedented third five-year term, will be presented to the Chinese public on October 23, the day after the 20th Congress concludes.

It is likely to have an even greater share of Mr. Xi's men (the top Chinese leadership is mostly men) who served with him in Fujian and Zhejiang. Mr. Xi, however, is unlikely to promote any leader who is young enough to emerge as his heir in five years' time. This will ensure his unchallenged control without the distraction of a nominated successor.

What happens in 2027 remains uncertain. With the top leadership full of his men, Mr. Xi may not need to continue to wear all three crowns as head of the party, head of state, and Chairman of the Central Military Commission. Indeed, the question of what posts Mr. Xi may or may not continue to hold may well become moot by then, with most of his men in the seats of power. By then, the party, just as it once was with Mao, may well have become synonymous with Mr. Xi, its next helmsman.

THE GIST

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INBRIEF

Titan eyes ₹1,000 crore from women's handbag segment

Titan Company expects the organised market for women's handbags in India to cross ₹3,000 crore in the next five years, with the company garnering a revenue share of ₹1,000 crore in the segment during the period.

The company announced its foray into the women's handbag segment, a new lifestyle category, under the IRTH brand. It would compete with brands such as Lavie and Baggit besides international labels.

Larsen & Toubro Infotech Q2 net rises 23% to ₹679.8 crore

Larsen & Toubro Infotech (LTI), a technology services digital transformation solutions firm, on Saturday reported a 23% growth in second-quarter net profit to ₹679.8 crore. Revenue grew 28.4% to ₹4,836.7 crore.

LTI is awaiting the regulator's final approval for merger with Mindtree which L&T bought in 2019. "We are are most likely to combine forces by the end of this calendar year," said Nachiket Deshpande, COO and Wholetime Director.

D-Mart parent's Q2 net profit jumps 64% to ₹686 crore

Avenue Supermarts Ltd., which owns and operates retail chain D-Mart, on Saturday reported an increase of 64.1% in consolidated net profit to ₹685.71 crore for the July-September quarter of FY23.

The company had posted a net profit of ₹417.76 crore in the corresponding quarter a year earlier Avenue Supermarts said in a BSE filing.

Revenue from operations rose 36.6% to ₹10,638.33 crore. PTI

HDFC Bank Q2 net rises 22% to ₹11,125 crore on lower provisioning

Core net interest income rose 18.9% to ₹21,021 crore on the back of a more than 23% jump in advances; the overall share of gross non-performing assets improved to 1.23%, from 1.35%

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HDFC Bank reported a 22.3% jump in consolidated net profit for the September quarter to ₹11,125.21 crore, aided by a reduction in the amount of money set aside for bad loans.

On a standalone basis, the largest private-sector lender's net profit rose by more than 20.1% to ₹10,605.78 crore, from ₹8,834.31 crore in the year-earlier period and ₹9,196 crore in the June quarter.

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Other income showed a marginal 2.63% growth to ₹7,596 crore on account of a loss of ₹253.1 crore on sale or revaluation of investments as against a gain of ₹675 crore in the year-earlier period.

The bank said the other income growth, excluding the mark-to-market losses incurred amid the rising rates scenario, stood at 16.7%.

Amid the 'war for deposits', where some banks have reported a wide gap between advances and deposit growth, the lender reported a 21% increase in the deposits.

Blip on radar: The bank said ₹3,343 crore of loans slipped during the April-September period. VIJAY SONEJI

The share of the low-cost current and saving account deposits stood at 45.1% as on September 30. The overall share of gross non-performing assets improved to 1.23% of the book, from 1.35% in the year-earlier period and 1.28% three months prior.

Lower provisions

The amount set aside as provisions and contingencies reduced sharply to ₹3,240 crore, from ₹3,925 crore, thus aiding bottomline growth, HDFC Bank said. More than ₹3,000 crore of the amount set aside during the reporting quarter was for specific loan-loss provisions.

On the restructuring front, the bank said it was carrying ₹7,851 crore of advances as standard restructured category, which includes ₹5,256 crore of personal loans. It said ₹3,343 crore of loans slipped during the April-September period (first half of the fiscal), ₹1,765 crore was written off and ₹2,196 crore was repaid by borrowers.

The 23.4% loan growth was driven by corporate and wholesale advances growth at 27%, while retail advances rose 21.4%. The commercial and rural banking segment reported a 31.3% increase.

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The number of branches rose to 6,499, while the total number of employees increased to 1.61 lakh from 1.29 lakh.

Overall capital adequacy ratio stood at 18% as of September 30, including the core tier-I adequacy at 17.1%.

The bank, which is absorbing its parent HDFC Ltd. into itself in corporate India's biggest merger in history, also informed that the National Company Law Tribunal (NCLT) directed it to hold a meeting of shareholders on November 25 to seek their approval for the merger scheme.

Among the subsidiaries, HDFC Securities saw a dip in its September-quarter net to ₹190.9 crore, from ₹239.6 crore in the year-earlier period, while HDB Financial Services' profit after tax surged to ₹471.4 crore, from ₹191.7 crore a year earlier.

Tax on windfall profit on crude oil, export of diesel, ATF raised

Press Trust of India
NEW DELHI

The government on Saturday raised the windfall tax on domestically-produced crude oil by more than a third while doubling the rate on export of diesel and reintroducing the levy on export of jet fuel (ATF) in line with the rise in international oil prices.

The tax on crude oil produced by firms such as state-owned Oil and Natural Gas Corporation (ONGC) was increased to ₹11,000 per tonne beginning October 16 from ₹8,000, a government notification showed.

In the fortnightly revision of windfall tax, the government doubled the rate on export of diesel to ₹12 per litre, from ₹5. The levy on ATF, which was cut to nil at the beginning of this month, was reintroduced at ₹3.50 a litre.

The raise reverses the reduction in two previous rounds in September.

Rising cotton yarn imports worry mills

M. Soundariya Preetha
COIMBATORE

A rise in imports of cotton yarn since June this year has raised concerns among domestic textile mills.

According to available data, cotton yarn imports in June this year had almost trebled over the year-earlier period. It was several-fold higher in July as against July 2021.

The imports stood at 1.15 million kg in June (0.44 million kg) and 4.54 million kg in July (0.17 million kg). Indian textile units generally import speciality yarns. The recent rise in cotton-yarn imports is said to be largely from Vietnam. There are multiple factors for the increase in imports.

Indian cotton and yarn prices had risen since November last year and this was one of the reasons, said Siddhartha Rajagopal, ED, The Cotton Textiles Export Promotion Council.

However, cotton-yarn importers need to be cautious as the U.S. had banned textiles containing cotton originating from China's Xinjiang province. The imports may reduce as Indian cotton prices have declined now, he added.

Ravi Sam, chairman of The Southern India Mills' Association, said India produced almost 340 million kg of cotton yarn a month and imports were relatively low. The government should remove the import duty on cotton so that cotton and yarn prices were under control, he added.

'U.S. not trying to enlist new countries to oil price cap'

Sriram Lakshman
WASHINGTON

U.S. Treasury Secretary Janet Yellen has stressed that there is no attempt to sign up countries to a price cap on Russian oil that is in the process of being implemented by a coalition of the Group of Seven (G7) advanced economies, the European Union (EU) and Australia.

Indian officials have, since the announcement of the cap in early September, said that India is carefully scrutinising it. Ms. Yellen's comments suggest that this is now moot, from the perspective of whether India should join or not.

"All of these [coalition] countries have agreed to ban the provision of services that firms in our countries supply for the transport of Russian oil. And the EU sanctions package includes shipping. And beyond that we are not trying to sign up additional countries to a coalition," Ms. Yellen told reporters on Friday at a press briefing at the International Monetary Fund (IMF).

Insurance leverage

The coalition is betting that as the bulk of shipping insurance is routed through member countries, buyers of Russian oil who want to avail themselves of trade finance, insurance, and other associated financial services from these Western countries, would conform to the price cap.

Flow not numbers: The coalition is hoping African, Latin American, and Asian countries will now have access to cheaper oil. REUTERS

Russia has said that it will not sell to any country that is going to participate in the cap, possibly explaining Ms. Yellen's comments that the U.S. is relying not on formal participation in the price cap coalition but on altering purchasing incentives.

"And what we really need in the rest of the world is simply for potential purchasers – firms in those countries, in some cases, governments, but usually firms in countries throughout the world – to simply understand that the price cap is going to work," Ms. Yellen said.

Measure of success

The program's success was not going to be measured by how many countries signed up for it, Ms. Yellen asserted, but for there to be a flow of Russian oil still to the market and for countries to use the leverage provided by the cap to get the oil at lower prices. India has already increased its purchases of Russian oil, at discounted prices, since Moscow invaded Ukraine on February 24 .

> So we want to reduce Russia's revenue and keep that oil flowing... we're not benefiting from the cheaper oil

"So we want to reduce Russia's revenue and keep that oil flowing," she said, adding, "We're not benefiting from the cheaper oil". Ms. Yellen went on to say she hoped that African, Latin American, and Asian countries would now have access to cheaper oil, once the EU "essentially" stopped its purchases. The EU has plans to stop its purchases of Russian crude that is delivered by sea in December – or two-thirds of its Russian imports of crude.

'No decisions on level'

The coalition of countries that were imposing a restriction on the financial services associated with the purchase of Russian oil would jointly decide the appropriate level of the cap – and that price could be changed over time, Ms. Yellen said, emphasising that no decisions had been made as yet about the actual level of the price cap.

Furnish info on time, Goyal tells IPR applicants

Press Trust of India
NEW DELHI

Commerce and Industry Minister Piyush Goyal asked applicants of intellectual property rights (IPRs) to suggest to their lawyers to submit all the information on time and not create unnecessary hurdles in granting IPRs.

"Please ask your lawyers not to seek adjournments," Mr. Goyal said. "We are shortly going to change that rule to make it onerous for those who are asking for adjournments repeatedly," he added.

Sport

ITTF issues stern warning to India, threatens to cancel its participation in World Para event

Rakesh Rao
NEW DELHI

The International Table Tennis Federation (ITTF) has threatened to cancel India's participation in the World Para table tennis championship in Granada from November 6 to 12.

Taking a serious view of repeated instances of the Committee of Administrators (CoA) ignoring their mails regarding travel details, room reservation and "most importantly, the payment," the world body has decided to act tough.

Resorting to a stern tone and tenor in its latest letter (dated October 14, 2022) to the CoA, ITTF's Classification Manager (Para Table Tennis Events) Pablo Perez categorically stated, "You have received several messages from the LOC (Local Organising Committee) and they are still waiting for your answers. At this moment, the deadlines are over and the LOC is entitled to cancel your participation and the ITTF would allocate the slots to other countries.

The Indian team includes Olympic silver medallist Bhavina Patel, Sonal Patel, Ravi Baby Sahana and Ramesh Bhai Choudhary. Lalan Doshi is the coach while Nikul Patel and Himangi are the two escorts.

On October 12, World Para TT's Tournament

Bhavina. FILE PHOTO

General Secretary Isabel Molina wrote to the CoA, "I have not received any answer from your side. Deadline for payment was 23rd of September. If you do not send proof of payment within 48 hours, we cannot guarantee the room reservation. Please make sure to send us the travel details before the last day (October 21) or your delegation will not be taken into account in the transport schedule."

Even on September 26, Molina wrote to the CoA-appointed manager S. K. Tandon, and sought the requisition for rooms, with names of the players and the width of the wheelchairs. When the CoA failed to respond, Molina shot back, "Will you please answer my email below? I need the information to issue the invoice (which should have been already paid by now)."

In fact, the ITTF is no stranger to the CoA's poor communication. In its letter dated August 15, with reference to "Notice of Proposed Suspension," the ITTF Secretary-General Raul Calin wrote, "The ITTF, particularly, the Executive Committee (EC), has been greatly concerned about the situation affecting TTFI."

After briefly mentioning the chronology of events from February 18, Mr. Calin mentioned, "The EC noted that we were supposed to receive an update from you following the Court hearing on 6th July but that didn't happen."

Tthe members of the Indian squad are waiting anxiously for the CoA to rush the payment to the ITTF.

Panthers on the prowl again

Sports Bureau

Jaipur Pink Panthers put up a collective performance to beat Gujarat Giants 25-18 in a Pro Kabaddi League Season 9 match in Bengaluru on Saturday.

It was the Panthers' third successive win this season.

Raiders Rahul Chaudhari and Arjun Deshwal picked up nine points between them and were backed by a solid defence.

Defending champion Dabang Delhi cruised past Telugu Titans 46-26, thanks to skipper and raider Naveen Kumar (12 points).

Bengal Warriors overwhelmed Patna Pirates 54-26 in the other match.

Aditya holds Carlsen, Gukesh beats Giri

Rakesh Rao
NEW DELHI

Continuing his splendid form, Aditya Mittal held World champion Magnus Carlsen while D. Gukesh stunned Anish Giri on the opening day of the $150,000 Aimchess Rapid online chess on Friday.

Uzbek teenager Nodirbek Abdusattorov led the field with 10 points from a maximum of 12.

Aditya, who recently won the Indian leg of the qualifying tournament for a place in the premier event, started with a loss to Abdusattaov.

He bounced back to beat Sweden's Nils Gradelius, drew with USA's Daniel Norditsky before holding Carlsen in 58 moves, with black pieces. After holding David Anton, Arjun Erigaisi and Vidit Gujrathi, Gukesh pulled off a 29-move win over Giri.

By the end of the day, Carlsen was placed third, one behind Mamedyarov, after scoring over Eric Hansen and Vincent Kaymer.

The standings (after four rounds): 1. Nodirbek Abdusattorov (Uzb, 10 points), 2-6. Shakhriyar Mamedyarov (Aze), Magnus Carlsen (Nor), Jan-Krzysztof Duda (Pol), Vincent Keymer (Ger), Richard Rapport (Rom); 7. D. Gukesh, 8-10. Vidit Gujrathi, Arjun Erigaisi, Aditya Mittal (5 each); 11-12. Anish Giri (Ned), Daniel Naroditsky (USA) (4 each), 13. David Anton (Esp, 3), 14-15. Eric Hansen (Can), P. Harikrishna (2 each); 16. Nils Grandelius (Swe, 1).

ICC T20 WC

Shami has shown positive signs in his recovery, says Rohit

Mohammad Shami is on his way to full recovery from COVID-19, India captain Rohit Sharma said on Saturday at the captains' media interaction ahead of the T20 World Cup. "Shami had COVID two to three weeks ago. He was called to the NCA, he worked hard for the last 10 days and he is in Brisbane. He will train with us on Sunday."

KANE'S VIEW

We don't really have a choice in what people call us: Williamson

The lack of favourite tag doesn't bother New Zealand captain Kane Williamson who said the team "doesn't really have a choice in what people call" it heading into the T20 World Cup. "We come here and try and focus on the cricket that we want to play and address what's in front of us," he said at the captains' meeting on Saturday.

TEMBA'S TAKE

It's not all doom and gloom for us, says South Africa captain Bavuma

Skipper Temba Bavuma said it was not all "doom and gloom" for South Africa at the T20 World Cup despite its recent woes. "We are excited. We're looking forward to this tournament," he said. "We've just come from India where we didn't have the best of series, but there's still a lot of confidence we can take into the tournament."

KING'S DEFENCE

We have match-winners in our batting, bowling line-ups: Finch

Australia skipper felt that the defending champion has a well-balanced side. "You go into a World Cup knowing that the makeup of your 15 men is really important. It's not just 11 players that win you a World Cup, it's the contribution all around. We've got some match-winners in our batting and bowling line-ups."

Ruling the roost: Seventh triumph in eight editions, Team India has every reason to celebrate. AFP

Women in Blue bring home seventh trophy

Sri Lanka self-destructs as Indian bowlers, led by Renuka, come up with a magnificent effort; Smriti's sublime half-century completes the annihilation with an unbeaten half-century

ASIA CUP

Press Trust of India
SYLHET

India maintained its dominance in the Women's Asia Cup with an eight-wicket demolition of a self-destructing Sri Lanka in the final here on Saturday for its seventh title in eight editions.

Sri Lanka, playing its first tournament final in 14 years, imploded after opting to bat on a slow and turning pitch. The Lankans could manage only 65 for nine which India knocked off in 8.3 overs. Smriti Mandhana struck a sublime 51 not out off 25 balls.

It was a procession after Sri Lanka skipper Chamari Athapaththu was run out in the third over following a mix-up with Anushka Sanjeewani who too was run out six balls later.

Renuka sent back Hasini Perera off the very first ball she faced.

The Sri Lankans were in dire need of a partnership but Kavisha Dilhari's fall made it 16 for five as she was bowled trying to play an incoming delivery from Renuka across the line.

Rajeshwari Gayakwad got her first wicket when Nilakshi de Silva played-on attempting a cut close to her body. At 32 for eight, being bowled out for a sub-50 total was very much on the cards, but Inoka Ranaweera saved Sri Lanka from that ignominy with an unbeaten 18 off 22 balls.

India lost Shafali Verma and Jemimah Rodrigues cheaply in the run chase. But, the elegant Smriti played some exquisite strokes on way to completing formalities alongside skipper Harmanpreet Kaur (11 not out off 14).

SCOREBOARD

SRI LANKA
Chamari Athapaththu run out 6 *(12b, 1x4)*, Anushka Sanjeewani run out 2 *(4b)*, Harshitha Samarawickrama c Richa b Renuka 1 *(5b)*, Nilakshi de Silva b Rajeshwari 6 *(8b, 1x4)*, Hasini Perera c Smriti b Renuka 0 *(1b)*, Kavisha Dilhari b Renuka 1 *(6b)*, Oshadi Ranasinghe b Rajeshwari 13 *(20b, 1x4)*, Malsha Shehani c & b Sneh 0 *(5b)*, Sugandika Kumari b Sneh 6 *(24b)*, Inoka Ranaweera (not out) 18 *(22b, 2x4)*, Achini Kulasuriya (not out) 6 *(13b)*; Extras (w-6): 6; Total (for nine wkts. in 20 overs): 65.

FALL OF WICKETS
1-8 (Chamari, 2.4 overs), 2-9 (Harshitha, 3.3), 3-9 (Anushka, 3.4), 4-9 (Hasini, 3.5), 5-16 (Kavisha, 5.2), 6-18 (Nilakshi, 6.6), 7-25 (Malsha, 8.3), 8-32 (Oshadi, 11.5), 9-43 (Sugandika, 15.6).

INDIA BOWLING
Deepti 4-0-7-0, Renuka 3-1-5-3, Rajeshwari 4-0-16-2, Sneh 4-0-13-2, Hemalatha 3-0-8-0, Shafali 2-0-16-0.

INDIA
Shafali Verma st. Anushka b Inoka 5 *(8b)*, Smriti Mandhana (not out) 51 *(25b, 6x4, 3x6)*, Jemimah Rodrigues b Kavisha 2 *(4b)*, Harmanpreet Kaur (not out) 11 *(14b, 1x4)*; Extras (w-2): 2; Total (for two wkts. in 8.3 overs): 71.

FALL OF WICKETS
1-32 (Shafali, 3.4), 2-35 (Jemimah, 4.3).

SRI LANKA BOWLING
Oshadi 2.3-0-30-0, Sugandika 1-0-7-0, Inoka 3-0-17-1, Kavisha 2-0-17-1.

Toss: Sri Lanka.
Player-of-the-Match: Renuka.
Player-of-the-Series: Deepti.

ICC T20 World Cup returns with more razzmatazz, excitement

Associated Press
BRISBANE

West Indies is the only team to win the Twenty20 World Cup twice, and 2014 champion Sri Lanka is the only three-time finalist in the championship for international cricket's shortest format.

Even with those credentials, two of the game's traditional entertainers are having to go through a preliminary stage with the lower-ranked teams to earn a spot in the T20 World Cup's main round.

The tournament before the tournament starts on Sunday, with Sri Lanka opening Group-A against Namibia at Kardinia Park in Geelong.

Nicholas Pooran will lead West Indies against Scotland at Hobart in Group-B on Monday.

Provided the West Indies and Sri Lanka finish in the top two in their four-team groups next week, they'll join the top eight-ranked teams in the Super 12 stage.

Jos Buttler's England squad starts its bid to become dual white-ball world champions against Afghanistan on Oct. 22. South Africa and Bangladesh are the other two teams already qualified.

The first phase includes eight teams seeded into two groups, with the top two advancing to the Super 12s.

A Sri Lanka line-up led by Dasun Shanaka and Wanindu Hasaranga should dominate Group-A, which contains Netherlands and United Arab Emirates as well as Namibia. Group-B is likely to be a tougher contest, with Ireland and Zimbabwe joining West Indies and Scotland.

Timing is everything with the new regulations introduced since the last T20 World Cup – the biggest being the in-match penalty for slow over-rates.

The failure of the fielding team to bowl their scheduled overs on time now leads to an additional fielder being forced inside the in-field circle for the remaining overs of the innings. That can leave some wide-open spaces in the outfield just when batters are trying to slog boundaries.

Also, there'll be no more wires crossed when it comes to which batter takes strike after a catch is completed. Under the old rules, if the batters crossed before the ball was caught, the new player to the crease could go to the non-striker's end. Under the revision, the incoming batter must always go to the striker's end. That nullifies one of potential tactic of getting an in-form batter on strike during partnerships with tail-enders.

In other changes, umpires will have the authority to award five penalty runs to the batting seem if a fielder is deemed to have moved unfairly or deliberately distracted a batter while the bowler is in the run-up phase; and run-out regulations have been clarified to remove the "unfair play" section – and any ambiguity – when it comes to bowlers running-out batters who are out of their ground at the non-striker's end.

Stage set for T20 carnival

The ICC men's T20 World Cup begins with the group stage matches on Oct. 16 (Sunday). Two teams from each will qualify for the Super 12 scheduled from Oct. 22 (Saturday)

Group A	Group B
Namibia	Ireland
Netherlands	Scotland
Sri Lanka	West Indies
UAE	Zimbabwe

SNAPSHOT: Australia skipper Finch takes a selfie with the captains of the participating teams in Melbourne on Saturday.

Group A

	Teams	Time	Venue
Oct. 16	Sri Lanka vs. Namibia	9.30 a.m.	Geelong
Oct. 16	UAE vs. Netherlands	1.30 p.m.	Geelong
Oct. 18	Namibia vs. Netherlands	9.30 a.m.	Geelong
Oct. 18	Sri Lanka vs. UAE	1.30 p.m.	Geelong
Oct. 20	Netherlands vs. Sri Lanka	9.30 a.m.	Geelong
Oct. 20	Namibia vs. UAE	1.30 p.m.	Geelong

Group B

	Teams	Time	Venue
Oct. 17	West Indies vs. Scotland	9.30 a.m.	Hobart
Oct. 17	Zimbabwe vs. Ireland	1.30 p.m.	Hobart
Oct. 19	Scotland vs. Ireland	9.30 a.m.	Hobart
Oct. 19	West Indies vs. Zimbabwe	1.30 p.m.	Hobart
Oct. 21	Ireland vs. West Indies	9.30 a.m.	Hobart
Oct. 21	Scotland vs. Zimbabwe	1.30 p.m.	Hobart

All times IST

Mumbai City gets the better of Odisha FC

On the prowl: Bipin made it 2-0 for Mumbai City in injury time. FOCUS SPORTS/ISL

Shayan Acharya
MUMBAI

The Mumbai City FC fans were just settling in after half-time when Lallianzuala Chhangte's close range shot was saved by Odisha FC goalkeeper Amrinder Singh. But the rebound hit Odisha's Shubham Sarangi and rolled into the net to give Mumbai City the lead in the 50th minute.

Back on home turf at the Mumbai Football Arena after three years, Mumbai City also scored through Bipin Singh in injury time to register its first win in ISL-9 here on Saturday. Bipin cashed in on a Greg Stewart assist to rifle the ball into the right bottom corner of the goal.

Coming into the game after a 3-3 draw against defending champion Hyderabad FC, Mumbai City began positively. However, as the game progressed, Odisha grew in confidence but couldn't get its act together in the final third.

Odisha had rebounded in style to beat Jamshedpur FC in its previous game.

The result: MCFC 2 (Shubham 50-og, Bipin 90+4) bt Odisha FC 0.

Rosy Meena shatters women's pole vault National record

N. Sudarshan
BENGALURU

Tamil Nadu's Rosy Meena Paulraj broke the women's pole vault National record for the second time in a fortnight, this time scaling 4.21m at the 61st National Open athletics championships at the Sree Kanteerava Stadium.

At the National Games in Gandhinagar, Rosy Meena had erased V.S. Surekha's record (4.15m) with a mark of 4.20. On Saturday, she first vaulted to a height of 4.10m to seal the gold, relegating the Railways duo of Pavithra Venkatesh and Baranica Elangovan to second and third.

The 25-year-old then touched 4.16m to rewrite Surekha's meet record (4.15m) set in 2014, before bettering her own mark from two weeks ago.

"The last time I came here for Khelo India, I didn't do well. So, I was determined for give a good performance," said Rosy Meena. "I am not entirely satisfied with 4.21m. The aim is to scale 4.30m, the Asian Games norm. That's what I will be working towards."

New high: Rosy Meena struggled with her run-up all along but leapt 4.21m on her first try at the record. K. MURALI KUMAR

The competition started under the blazing afternoon sun but the notoriously fickle Bengaluru weather meant dark rain clouds soon replaced blue and white patches and a cool wind started blowing across the stadium.

Rosy Meena struggled with her run-up all along and even had to use layers of the analgesic balm Amrutanjan to keep herself warm.

But egged on by a sparse but enthusiastic crowd, and the quiet backing of her fascinatingly named coach Milber Bertrand Russell – christened after the great British mathematician and philosopher – Rosy Meena nailed 4.21m on her first try at the record. She then had three failed bids at 4.25m, but it was an icing she didn't quite require. So high has her stock risen in the last 15 days that the Tamil Nadu government – according to Milber – is pushing hard to retain her services, even as she looked set to move to the Railways for a secure job.

Elsewhere, Jyothi Yarraji, the National Games 100m champion, didn't finish her heat, choosing to focus on 100m hurdles, her pet event. Amlan Borgohain, the men's 100m champion, reportedly pulled out on the eve of the competition.

The results:
Men: 20km race walk: 1. Suraj Panwar (Utk) 1:25:23s, 2. Akshdeep Singh (Pun) 1:25:26, 3. Paramjeet Singh Bisht (Ser) 1:25:26.
Women: Pole vault: 1. Rosy Meena Paulraj (TN) 4.21m (NMR; OR: 4.15m, V.S. Surekha, 2014), 2. Pavithra Venkatesh (Rly) 4.00m, 3. Baranica Elangovan (Rly) 4.00m.
Discus: 1. Paramjot Kaur (Rly) 50.81, 2. Nidhi Rani (Rly) 50.29, 3. Neetika Verma (UP), 49.70.
20km race walk: 1. Ravina (Rly), 1:34:55s (NMR; OR: 1:38:30, Bhawana Jat, 2019), 2. Vandana (Kar) 1:37:19, 3. Munita Prajapati (UP) 1:37:49.

Tottenham beats Everton, stays third

Harry the menace: Kane troubled the Everton defence no end.

Associated Press
LONDON

Tottenham moved to within a point of Premier League leader Arsenal as goals from Harry Kane and Pierre-Emile Hojbjerg helped it beat Everton 2-0 on Saturday.

Spurs remain third, but are now only behind Manchester City on goal difference ahead of the champion's trip to Liverpool on Sunday.

Aleksandar Mitrovic's second-half penalty gave Fulham a 2-2 draw against Bournemouth. Dominic Solanke scored 63 seconds into the game and set up Jefferson Lerma's first-half goal for Bournemouth, which twice gave away leads but extended its unbeaten run to six games.

The results:
Premier League: Leicester 0 drew with Crystal Palace 0; Fulham 2 (Diop 22, Mitrovic 52-pen) drew with Bournemouth 2 (Solanke 2, Lerma 29).
Wolves 1 (Neves 56-pen) bt Nottingham Forest 0; Tottenham 2 (Kane 59-pen, Hojbjerg 86) bt Everton 0.
Serie A: Torino 0 lost to Juventus 1 (Vlahovic 75).
Bundesliga: Stuttgart 4 (Silas 3-pen & 64, Ahamada 22, Endo 71) bt Bochum 1 (Zoller 29).

Chennai Heat appears to be a strong favourite

Basketball Federation of India's inaugural National League consisting of six teams, which has attracted some of the country's best players, gets underway after weeks of uncertainty

BASKETBALL

Stan Rayan
KOCHI

As the Chandigarh players walked into the Rajiv Gandhi indoor stadium here on Saturday evening, they watched the Chennai stars' last training session closely.

After weeks of uncertainty and a last-minute change of venue, the Basketball Federation of India's inaugural National League – the INBL – begins here on Sunday.

And Chennai appears to be a strong favourite to take the honours.

Tamil Nadu is the National champion and also won the National Games title in Gujarat recently. And seven players from TN's National Games team are in the Chennai side.

"Chandigarh is strong too, they also have a few Indian players," India captain Muin Bek Hafeez, the Chennai star, told *The Hindu* on Saturday.

Gearing up: The Chennai Heat players fine-tune their skills.
STAN RAYAN

The league has six teams – Chennai Heat, Delhi Dribblers, Mumbai Titans, Bengaluru Kings, Chandigarh Warriors and Kochi Tigers – and there will be three matches on all the five days in the Kochi leg, the first of the three.

The next two league legs will be held in Jaipur and Pune with the final playoffs in Bengaluru in January next year.

The INBL has attracted some of the country's best players and almost all the internationals who played in the recent FIBA World Cup's Asian qualifiers but still there is a feeling that things are being done in a hurry, including a last-minute change of coaches in a couple of teams.

Another in the offing

There is another 12-team national pro league being planned by a private organiser which could happen by the end of this year or early next year.

Many players have already been selected for the new league which has promised big money for the players.

That could be the reason for the BFI's hurry to conduct the INBL.

And the BFI has not stopped players from signing for the other new league too.

"The more leagues we have, the better for us," said former international Basil Philip, who has signed for the new 'private' league.

The country's basketball players have waited for a long time for a strong pro league. Now, they appear to have many choices.

KARNATAKA ROUND UP

Six-wkt. win for Karnataka

Karnataka beat Andhra CA by six wickets in the BCCI U-19 Women's T20 Trophy in Ahmedabad

The scores: Andhra CA 85 in 18.5 overs (Vandita K. Rao 3/17, C.S. Savi 3/11) lost to Karnataka 86/4 in 18 overs (Roshni Kiran 30).

Aniketh and Sharavan slam centuries

Aniketh Reddy (128) and Sharavan Morkhandikar (100) helped Raichur secure the first-innings lead against Vice President's XI in a drawn KSCA inter-zonal under-16 tournament match.

The scores: President's XI 149 in 41 overs (A. Siddharth 30, Roshan Kumar 53, Mohammad Ibrahim Rayyan 4/49, Virat R. Ganya 5/36) & 140/9 decl. in 29.3 overs (Pratheek 75, K. Nihal Gowda 31, M.C. Ajith 5/35) drew with Shivamogga 65 in 46.2 overs (Ashith Shivanna 3/5, A. Siddharth 3/18) & 209/9 in 58 overs (A. Amshu 27, M. Tanmay 40, T.S. Gokul 54, Roshan Kumar 3/57, R. Kushal 5/31).

Vice President's XI 198 in 61 overs (S. Vajra 66, Raag Punja 34, Raja Raghavendra Nayaka 4/41, Abhishek Kalshetty 3/61) & 154/3 in 30.2 overs (Sean Pratyush Cyril 27, Atharv Malviya 75, Nishchinth Parmashwar 26 n.o.) drew with Raichur 297/5 in 90 overs (Aniketh Reddy 128, Sharavan Morkhandikar 100).

Dharwad 280 in 85.5 overs (Ashutosh D. Hiremath 55, Manikanth Shivanand 64, Akash G. Kulkarni 84, Eesa Hakeem Puthige 4/64) drew with Bangalore City XI 176/6 in 80 overs (H.B. Gagandeep 27, Eesa Hakeem Puthige 35 n.o., Sankalp K. Teli 32 n.o., Siddesh A. Asalkar 4/40).

Bangalore 182 in 72.3 overs (Arnav Mishra 86, R. Himesh 3/37) & 184/4 in 58 overs (S. Daivik 61, Vivian Daniel Martis 56 n.o., Krishav S. Somasundar 40 n.o.) drew with Mysore 196 in 60.4 overs (Athish Karthik Kumar 53, M.D. Ayush 29, P. Dhakshath 31, Samyam Vinay 3/32, G. Kroshick 3/18).

Tumkur 87 in 35.5 overs (Farhan Farooq 46, Akshath Prabhakar 3/9, A. T. Deekshit 3/23) & 175 in 63.2 overs (Naresh 41, V. Sohan 29, Farhan Farooq 28, S.J. Aadharsh 3/35) lost to Secretary's XI 221 in 64.4 overs (R. Shishir 45, R. Shiv 37, Akshath Prabhakar 71 n.o., C. Tarun 3/57) & 42 for no loss in 6.5 overs.

Combined City XI 241 in 72.3 overs (Aadesh D. Urs 47, N. Bhuvan Gowda 29, Sujal R. Amin 67, Vaibhav Sharma 34, Siddanth Amin 3/41, P.P. Jashwith Bopanna 5/41) & 79/1 in 23 overs (Vrateen Prashant Padti 29 n.o., Vishruth Uday Krishna 45) drew with Mangalore 183 in 60 overs (S. Gagan Rao 76, Samyak Vellalore 3/41, V. Sriram 3/48, Aadesh D. Urs 3/32).

Billiards and snooker tournament from today

The 18th PSPB Inter Unit Billiards and Snooker Tournament will get underway at the KSBA here on Sunday. Seven member-organisations of PSPB are participating in the GAIL India-hosted tournament. Around 35 participants, including the likes of Pankaj Advani, Aditya Mehta, S. Shrikrishna and National champion Ishpreet Singh will take part.

Mithun meets Sourabh

Mithun Manjunath will take on Sourabh Verma in the men's final of the Infosys Foundation India International badminton challenge. The women's summit clash will pit Gadde Ruthvika Shivani against Tanya Hemanth.

The results (semifinals): Men: Mithun Manjunath bt Sathish Kumar Karunakaran 21-10, 14-21, 21-12; Sourabh Verma bt Abhishek Yeligar 21-6, 22-20.
Women: Gadde Ruthvika Shivani bt Mansi Singh 21-16, 19-21, 21-16; Tanya Hemanth bt Rituparna Das 23-25, 21-9, 21-12.

Thancos Students Union makes the final

Thancos Students Union defeated Bengaluru FC 6-3 to enter the final of the KSFA Futsal League. In the summit clash, Thancos will meet BPSS which beat Revive FC 7-2 in the second semifinal.

Thumping win for BYFL

BYFL thrashed Bangalore Champs 13-1 in an U-18 match in the KSFA Youth Premier League.

Other results: U-18: The Sports School bt MVFA 4-0; FCBU bt North East Youth 3-0; IFEP bt Blue Star FC 5-0; Roots FC bt Stadium FC 1-0.

India loses to Iraq

KUWAIT CITY: The Indian football team went down 2-4 to Iraq in its opening fixture of the AFC U-20 Championship Group H qualifiers here on Friday.

The result: Iraq 4 (Abdulrazzaq Qasim, Hayder Tofee, Sadeeq Shaheen, Bikash Yumnam) bt India 2 (Gurkirat Singh, Maheson Singh)

Silver for Arjun, Deepika

Sports Bureau
KUWAIT CITY

Javelin throwers Arjun and Deepika and hammer thrower Mohammed Aman won silvers in the Asian youth athletics meet on Saturday.

The results: Boys: 400m hurdles: 3. Murad Sirman (53.34s). **Javelin:** 2. Arjun (70.98m), 3. Himanshu Mishra (67.67). **Hammer:** 2. Mohd Aman (67.03) **Girls: 3000m:** 2. Sunita Devi (10:34.07s). **100m hurdles:** 2. Sabita Toppo (14.17s). **Javelin:** 2. Deepika (50.15m).

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CONVOCATION - 2022
10th NOVEMBER, 2022
NOTIFICATION

The Convocation 2022 of SRM Institute of Science and Technology is scheduled as given below:

Venue	Dr. T.P. Ganesan Auditorium, SRM Nagar Kattankulathur - 603 203
Date | Day | Time	10.11.2022 | Thursday | 11.00 A.M.
Faculty | Campus	**Engineering(PG), Medicine & Health Sciences, Management, Science & Humanities, Law and Agricultural Sciences** Kattankulathur, Ramapuram & Vadapalani campuses (Excluding NCR, Delhi campus)

The eligible graduands who have completed their Degrees from **November, 2021 to October, 2022** shall apply online.
Visit our website: **https://www.srmist.edu.in** for online registration.
Last date for online registration: **31.10.2022 upto 5.00 P.M.**
For **NCR, Delhi Campus,** the date for the graduation day will be intimated later.
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LIVE TELECAST

Syed Mushtaq Ali T20: SS Select 2 (SD & HD) & Hotstar, 9, 11 a.m., 1.30 & 4.30 p.m.
Men's T20 World Cup: (first-round), Star Sports 1, 2 (SD & HD) & Hotstar, 9.30 a.m. & 1.30 p.m.
Serie A: Sports 18-1 (SD & HD) & Voot Select, 4, 6.30, 9.30 p.m. & 12.15 a.m. (Monday)
La Liga: Sports 18-1 (SD & HD) & Voot Select, 5.30, 7.45, 10 p.m. & 12.30 a.m. (Monday)
Premier League: SS Select 1, 2 (SD & HD) & Hotstar, 6.30 & 9 p.m.
ISL: Star Sports 1 (SD & HD), Star Sports 3 & Hotstar, 7.30 p.m.
Pro Kabaddi League: Star Sports 2 (SD & HD) & Hotstar, 7.30 p.m. onwards
Archery World Cup: Sony Six (SD & HD) & LIV, 8.30 p.m. onwards
Bundesliga: Sony Ten 2 (SD & HD) & LIV, 7, 9 & 11 p.m.

Sunday's Mushtaq Ali Trophy schedule

Group A (Rajkot): Mumbai vs. Vidarbha; Rajasthan vs. Uttarakhand; Madhya Pradesh vs. Railways; Assam vs. Mizoram.
Group B (Jaipur): Hyderabad vs. Tripura; Delhi vs. Pondicherry; Goa vs. Punjab; Manipur vs. Uttar Pradesh.
Group C (Mohali): Kerala vs. Services; Maharashtra vs. Meghalaya; Jammu & Kashmir vs Karnataka; Arunachal Pradesh vs. Haryana.
Group D (Indore): Gujarat vs. Saurashtra; Baroda vs. Bihar; Andhra vs. Nagaland.
Group E (Lucknow): Bengal vs. Tamil Nadu; Chandigarh vs. Odisha; Chhattisgarh vs. Sikkim.

Esha Singh wins junior sports pistol gold

Sports Bureau

Udhayveer Sidhu and Esha Singh won three gold medals between them in the junior events of 25-metre pistol in the World Championship in Cairo on Saturday.

Esha Singh did well to win the sports pistol gold, after having qualified in the fourth place with 581. She beat Feng Sixuan of China who had topped qualification with 590, with a 29-25 margin.

In contrast, Udhayveer Sidhu did not have to go through any competition in the non-Olympics events of junior men's sports pistol and standard pistol.

India took its tally to four gold medals and three bronze, to be second in the medals table behind China, which has eight golds.

On the podium: Sixuan, champion Esha and Jako.
SPECIAL ARRANGEMENT

Disappointment

There was some disappointment for India in women's air rifle as Mehuli Ghosh (629.7), Meghana Sajjanar (629.2) and Elavenil Valarivan (628.7) placed 10th, 13th and 19th. Mehuli missed qualification by 0.3 point and Meghana by 0.8.

In men's air pistol, Shiva Narwal qualified for the second, stage but finished eighth with a score of 147.6 after 583 in qualification. Naveen (582) and Vijayveer Sidhu (579) placed ninth and 19th. In women's air pistol, Rhythm Sangwan (576), Yuvika Tomar (574) and Palak Gulia (568) finished 17th, 25th and 50th.

In the 50m rifle 3-position event, Sartaj Singh Tiwana finished eighth with 297.7 after qualifying with 580. Pankaj Mukheja (577) and Surya Pratap Singh (570) placed 13th and 28th.

In junior women's rifle 3-position event, Nischal (576), Nikita Kundu (576) and Nupur Kumrawat (566) placed 29th, 30th and 51st respectively.

The results:
25m standard pistol: Junior men: 1. Udhayveer Sidhu 568; 2. Liu Yangpan (Chn) 567; 3. Sameer 567; 4. Abhinav Choudhary 561; 9. Sahil Vijay Dudhane 553.

Junior women: 1. Feng Sixuan (Chn) 580; 2. Zhao Nan (Chn) 566; 3. Tejaswani 557; 5. Manvi Jain 556; 8. Payal Khatri 547.
25m sports pistol: Junior men: 1. Udhayveer Sidhu 580; 2. Matteo Mastrovalerio (Ita) 579; 3. Liu Yangpan (Chn) 577; 16. Sameer Gulia 567; 18. Unish Holinder 557.
Junior women: 1. Esha Singh 29 (11) 581; 2. Feng Sixuan (Chn) 25 (15) 590; 3. Miriam Jako (Hun) 18 (16) 581; 4. Shen Yiyao (Chn) 11 (12) 582; 12. Divanshi 570; 13. Naamya Kapoor 568; 19. Vibhuti Bhatia 566; 31. Khushi Kapor 557.

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